

THE QUESTION BOX

NOTE.—Questions are taken from all pages and occasionally include advertisements.

1. Who began missionary service in India in 1889?
2. What church was organized March 2, 1873?
3. How many schools of missions were reported last year?
4. Who died September 8, 1932?
5. "We must either use our Baptist heritage or—". Complete the sentence.
6. Who is Mae Hunter?
7. What has a monthly circulation of 20,000?
8. Who was born September 5, 1851?
9. What carries the name "Nazas"?
10. Who is Honorary Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in New Haven, Conn.?
11. What organization reported receipts of \$11,079.85?
12. Who arrived in Rangoon June 13, 1813?
13. Where were 429 people in Sunday school on Easter Sunday?
14. Who is Ma Nyein Tha?
15. What school enrolled 74 girls last year?
16. Who was the grandson of Mohammed?
17. What school enrolled students from 11 races?
18. What happened February 5, 1933?

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The New Commission Interprets Its Task

The first announcement by the Commission on Reorganization

THE Commission of Fifteen held its initial meeting in Chicago July 6-7, 1933. The Commission understands its task to be the study of the reports of the several committees dealing with the organizational and promotional activities of the Northern Baptist Convention and other proposals of like nature.

This entails a complete and intensive examination of the existing denominational organizations. It is a difficult task and the Commission asks its constituency in all the churches to join with it in prayer for divine guidance. It further solicits suggestions from all interested individuals and from denominational organizations.

The Commission is convinced that if its proposals at Rochester in May, 1934, are to be acceptable they must be based on the consensus of opinion in the denomination rather than reflect merely the opinion of any one individual or organization or any groups of such. It therefore requests not only the cooperation of the members of the denomination in sympathetic suggestions but also their patience with it as it undertakes to meet its responsibilities.

The Commission desires also to assure the constituency of our churches, that it will abide by the principles of (1) historic Baptist democracy, (2) an equitable basis of representation, and (3) coop-

eration rather than centralization, contained in the Convention resolution.

The Commission approaches its task with a due sense of the importance of the interests committed to it, with a consciousness of the weakness of all human agencies, with a deep determination however to give its best, and with firm confidence in the devotion of its Baptist brethren to the cause of our Master Jesus Christ.

In order to facilitate its work, the Commission has divided itself into three regional sub-committees, Western, Central and Eastern. To each of these certain major propositions have been assigned for investigation.

Those desiring to appear before the Commission or to send communications are requested to address the Chairman, Dr. C. W. Atwater, Meridian and Vermont Sts., Indianapolis, Ind., or the Secretary, Mrs. A. LeGrand, 7104 Cedar St., Wauwatosa, Wis.

Dr. George Pitt Beers Leads Movement in Evangelism

The Northern Baptist Convention at its meeting in Washington adopted the following:

That we make evangelism the major objective for the year, and that we request a coordinated effort of the co-operative agencies of the entire Convention to enlist every local church in the program of evangelism.

To give effect to this resolution President Abernethy and his cabinet in conference with the Committee on Evangelism of the Home Mission Society agreed to ask Dr. George Pitt Beers, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Paterson, N. J., to lead the movement contemplated in this resolution. Dr. Beers, with the consent of his church, has accepted the call to undertake this work in addition to his pastoral duties. He will be a

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member of the team that accompanies the President in a series of inspirational meetings. He will also be available for counsel with the Department of Evangelism to direct our united effort to quicken the spiritual life of the denomination.

Dr. Beers is giving this service without remuneration. The Home Mission Society is providing the necessary expenses.

Letters to the Editor

I was greatly pleased with your editorial entitled "The Futility of Convention Resolutions." Our response to our resolutions on liquor, as shown on last November, deserves this slam at our *professions* and *actions*. Your last paragraph deserves to be the closing words of the first Convention session, read by some one who could make it reach the hearts of all hearers and make them ponder till they determined to *do* their utmost to bring to pass the actions recommended. Give us some more of this sort.—*George Davis*, Cambridge, Mass.

The June number of *MISSIONS* was the best yet in every respect. The report of the Convention was fine. But the make-up of the issue, the pictures and the general appearance of the magazine are *excellent!*—*Fred P. Haggard*, Groveland, Fla.

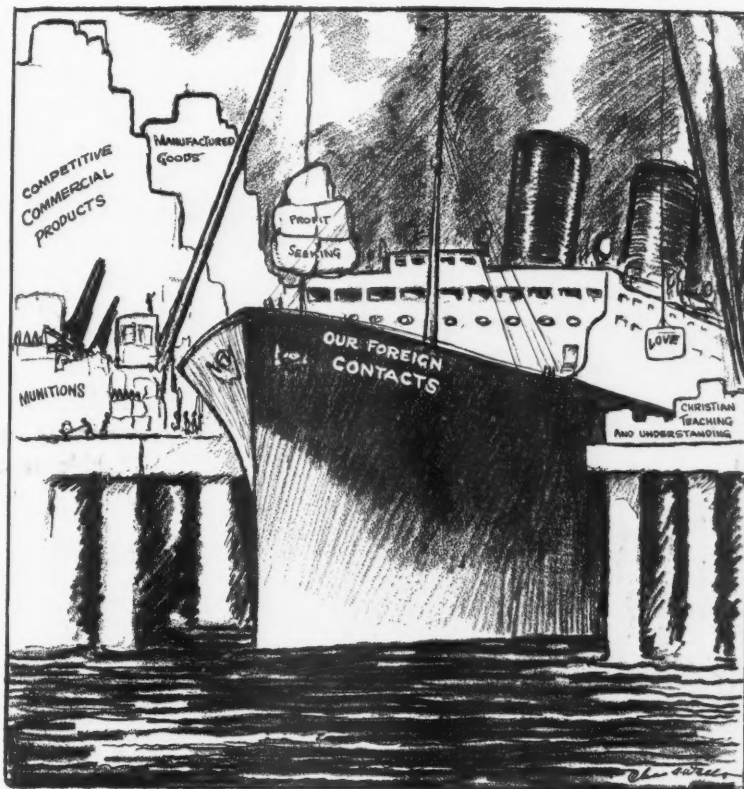
I am particularly impressed with the June issue of *MISSIONS*. Not alone is the magazine an excellent missionary publication but it is becoming a superb all-around Baptist news magazine as well.—*Carlton M. Sherwood*, General Secretary, International Society of Christian Endeavor.

Allow me to congratulate you upon the work which you are doing as editor of *MISSIONS*. I think you are producing a very fine publication. I hope it will be appreciated by our people sufficiently to bring up your subscription list to what it should be.—*W. Earle Smith*, San Francisco, Cal.

Let me congratulate you on the June number. It is certainly a wonder. I read it from cover to cover.—*Rev. G. W. Wiessan*, Oswego, N. Y.

Balancing Our Exports

A CARTOON BY CHARLES A. WELLS



THE world economic conference at London, in its consideration of exports, imports, tariffs, and other matters of concern to humanity, overlooked entirely the problem of how to increase the export of good will, friendship, understanding and love among all peoples. This may be one reason why the conference failed in achieving its purpose.

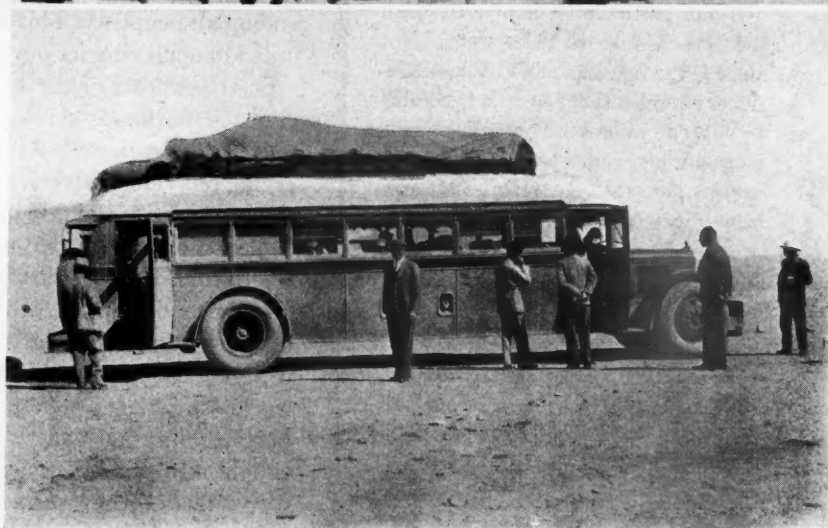
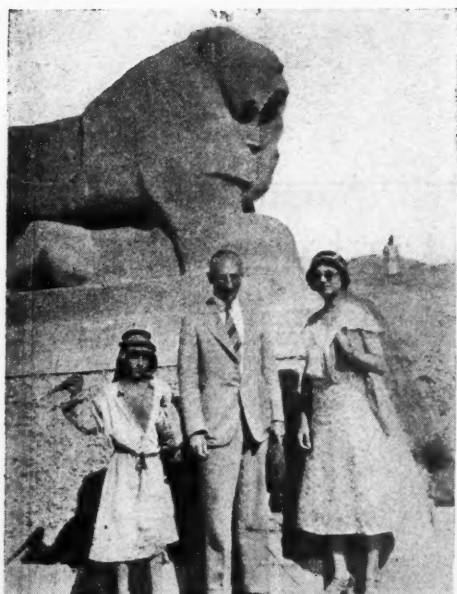
So the exports of the world are out of balance. Nearly every civilized nation is measuring the evidences of its stability in terms of its exports. And the selfish voices of these nations are crying out their distress. Wharves and harbors are choked with the stuff of life which will not move except at a profit. Selfish exploitation has bottled up the harbors of the world more effectively than a naval blockade.

Only as our world wide contacts include measures of Christian love, understanding, and teaching can it be hoped that men will see the true meaning of life's wider relationships. The world Christian program is the only hope of balancing the exports of international trade—balanced so they will no longer topple into periods of paralyzing selfishness—balanced so men can discover that successful commerce depends more on the golden rule than on the gold standard.

In the Graveyard of Buried Civilizations

(See Pages 392-396)

At the Left: Top: Image of a lion eating a man in Babylon. Mr. and Mrs. Boggs and an Arab boy stand in front; Center: Source of the Jordan River at Caesarea Philippi; Bottom: Pontoon bridge across the Tigris River at Baghdad



Top: Ruins of temples and royal palaces of Ur of the Chaldees; Center: The Minaret on the Great Mosque in Damascus, on which Christ is expected by Mohammedans to stand when He returns to judge the world; Bottom: Bus used by Mr. and Mrs. Boggs as they crossed the Syrian Desert

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We Are All Selfish

THE World Economic Conference in London, on which high hopes had been set, adjourned late in July. Most observers agree that it accomplished practically nothing. One basic reason explains its failure. It is the irreconcilable conflict between selfish nationalism and unselfish internationalism. As an American financial journal said, "Not a single delegation from an important country brought with it one sincere purpose to yield a jot or tittle of national interest except in exchange for more than the *quid pro quo*. Each was determined to force all others to accept its own conception of appropriate world action."

If this is true, the conference was doomed to fail before it began. It means, too, that humanity has not learned, even from these recent years of agony, that we live in an interdependent world. The presence of General Balbo's armada of Italy's giant sea planes over the roof of Baptist headquarters in New York brought celestial proof that isolation for the United States and for any country on earth is now an empty dream. No nation can any longer live unto itself. The welfare of one is assured only through the welfare of all.

This old lesson was taught the United States more than 100 years ago. Recently *The New York Times* discovered in an old country newspaper, *The Middlesex Gazette* of Middletown, Conn., December 24, 1818, an editorial that pictured conditions similar to those of today.

One can scarcely turn a corner of the street without encountering some one who is exclaiming against the hardness of the times and the scarcity of money. Ever since the late war [presumably the Napoleonic Wars ending with the battle of Waterloo in 1815.—Ed.] these complaints have been familiar to all. . . .

This people had fattened upon the distresses of Europe. So easy was money to be obtained that . . . instead of governing ourselves by the maxims of prudence, we grasped at the emoluments of futurity, calculating on the prolongation of the miseries of the Old World as a sure guarantee of the prosperity of the New. Governed by this fatal delusion, we are now reaping the fruit of our folly.

Prophetic words! Now, more than a century later, America still seems to be laboring under a "fatal delusion" that we can have prosperity for ourselves while other nations can be left to shift for themselves. A foreign delegate at London said to the American representatives, "It is not fair for the United States to make chaos in Europe the price of its prosperity at home."

This is strong language. It needs to be spoken to the people of the United States and to nations generally. Let us not fool ourselves. Christian principles do not yet determine international relations. In their dealings one with another, although inhabited by hosts of professedly Christian individuals, the nations are motivated by desires selfishly nationalistic, by ambitions basically un-Christian. The London Conference confirmed what has long been suspected. Nations are strong in preaching brotherhood and cooperation; but weak in practice.

What a world this is in which to go forth proclaiming the gospel of Him who came that the peoples of the earth "might have life and that they might have it more abundantly." To that high purpose the world Christian movement is committed. Its methods may change. Some of its emphases may need adjustment to new conditions. Yet its objective in establishing an unselfish, Christlike world, is today more imperative than ever.



The World Today

Current Events of Missionary Interest



International Medical Center Dedicated in Japan

WHAT is described as "America's greatest religious and philanthropic enterprise in Japan" was formally opened with the dedication of the new St. Luke's Medical Center in Tokyo.

The story of this enterprise is one of the romances of Christian missions. More than 30 years ago Dr. R. B. Teusler, an Episcopal medical missionary, came to Japan. He found little enthusiasm among the Japanese for his plans. Finally he located an old, abandoned, one-room shack, more like a stable than a house. He rented it, renovated it, scoured and scrubbed it and then announced that St. Luke's International Hospital with eight beds was ready to serve the world. In the course of the years the plant expanded only to be completely destroyed by the earthquake in 1923. Now in spacious and handsome new quarters, it stands as a memorial to the vision and service of this pioneer medical missionary.

Charles A. Lindbergh, George W. Wickersham, Norman H. Davis and other prominent Americans are on its Board of Trustees. The entire plant, when completed, will represent an expenditure of \$5,000,000, of which nearly \$1,000,000 was given by the Rockefeller Foundation, the balance by popular subscription in America and Japan. It will accommodate nearly 300 in-patients. A college of nursing will train 200 nurses. A baby clinic that began with five infants in 1928 now enrolls more than 3,000 babies.

The dedication ceremonies were attended by representatives of the United States and the British Embassies, the Canadian Minister to Japan, missionaries of all denominations, and hundreds of Japanese Christians. The entire service was conducted in the Japanese language. The chief address was by

Bishop James Perry. He had come from America especially for this occasion. He pictured the institution as "speaking a language that transcends human speech, that of a ministry of love." The Japanese Bishop Matsui said it "stood not only as an imperishable evidence of American good will, but as a permanent link between American and Japanese Christians."

Roman Catholicism Makes Slight Gains in America

ACCORDING to the Roman Catholic Directory for 1933, as summarized in *The New York Sun*, an increase of only 32,012 is reported in the Catholic population in the United States.

On a percentage basis this seems exceedingly slight. With total Catholic constituency listed as 20,268,403, this means a gain of less than one-fifth of one per cent.

For the New York archdiocese the Catholic population is reported as 1,273,391, about the same as in 1932. The number of priests in this area is 1,515, or only six more than a year ago. Catholic churches total 452, while 101,651 children receive instruction in New York's Catholic parochial schools.

For the entire United States the directory lists 12,537 churches with resident priests and 5,723 missions. The clergy totals 29,782, which includes sixteen archbishops and cardinals, 102 bishops, 21,016 secular priests and 8,766 priests of religious orders. There are 7,462 parochial schools enrolling 2,170,102 pupils and 1,998 institutions for higher education enrolling 179,345 students. The number of students for the priesthood was increased by 1,500 last

year. Impressive as these figures seem, the results for the year must be disappointing to the Roman Catholic authorities. With such a well managed, institutionalized, religious organization, and under

Baptists Back Roosevelt 96.8%

While in Washington Presidents C. Oscar Johnson and M. E. Dodd called at the White House to pay their respects. They were courteously received by Mr. Roosevelt and had a delightful visit with him. When departing, Dr. Johnson could not refrain in expressing the feeling of Baptists concerning the return of alcohol, especially in view of the emphatic resolution adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention at the preceding evening session. So he said in one of his jocular moods, "Mr. President, we are back of you in your policies 96.8 per cent."

If you will subtract this from 100, you will know exactly what Dr. Johnson had in mind.

such powerful ecclesiastical control, it seems strange that a year's increase in constituency should have been so slight. In fact, the net gain in population is hardly more than the total number of clergy. If in a single year Northern Baptists with approximately 6,000 pastors were to report a gain of only 6,000 church members, we should feel very anxious over our denominational future.

When Prejudice Made Justice Impossible

THE decision to hold a third trial in September for the Negroes in the famous Scottsboro case will be approved by all fair-minded Americans. With the passing of the intense feeling aroused by the first and second trials, a more calm appraisal can now be made. The case is of such ominous import because there converged in its proceedings all four major prejudices that for centuries have cursed human relationships. First of all came the ageless race prejudice between white and black. How well we know what a missionary problem this is. Second came religious prejudice manifested in the reference by the Alabama Attorney to "Jew money." In the course of human history religious prejudice has probably sacrificed millions of lives. It has so recently broken out afresh in Europe. Third was the sectional feeling between North and South, in terrific contrast to the fraternal spirit at the recent Baptist meetings in Washington. Scottsboro showed that we do not yet live in a really *United States*. Finally, political prejudice entered the scene, aroused by the efforts of communists in defense of the Negroes. In such a tense atmosphere and in a court house surrounded by armed militia to guard the prisoners from lynching, justice was well nigh impossible. The press generally, North and South, commended the judge for his integrity and fairness under such menacing conditions.

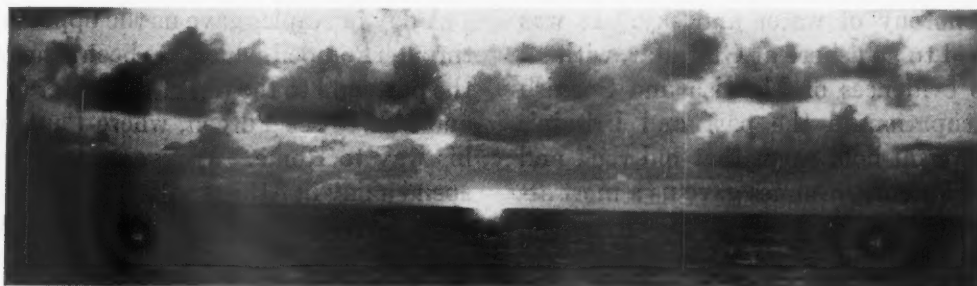
On the other hand, "this trial has not added to the good name of American justice," says *The Churchman*. "It does not strengthen our position when we issue protests to other countries where prejudice

darkens counsels." And the Federal Council of Churches in a special pronouncement says, "In the Scottsboro case the whole nation is concerned. Interracial understanding and goodwill have been further jeopardized. Hatred and misunderstanding have been increased. Confidence in the soundness of our institutions is shaken." In view of the teachings of Christ concerning human relations and the sacredness of human personality, it is manifestly the duty of American Christians to demand that justice in America shall be secured for all, irrespective of race, creed, residence or class.

The United Church of Canada Joins the Federal Council

THE decision of the Northern Baptist Convention at Washington to continue affiliation with the Federal Council of Churches makes a news item from Toronto all the more interesting. The United Church of Canada, by unanimous vote of its Executive Committee, has decided to affiliate with the Council. This is the first ecclesiastical body outside the United States to take this step. It now makes the Federal Council really representative of the Churches of Christ in *America*. As President A. W. Beaven says in his announcement, "Up to the present time, the church bodies related to the Federal Council have been exclusively those of the United States. Now for the first time it becomes something more than a national agency."

The United Church is the largest denomination in Canada. Its communicant membership, as shown by 1931 statistics, is 671,443. More than 1,600,000 persons are under its pastoral care. The present body was formed in 1925 by a union of three historic denominations—the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational churches of Canada. It is one of the most comprehensive church unions ever effected in any country. Its mission boards have for some time been in active touch with the churches of the United States through cooperation in the Home Missions Council and the Foreign Missions Conference.

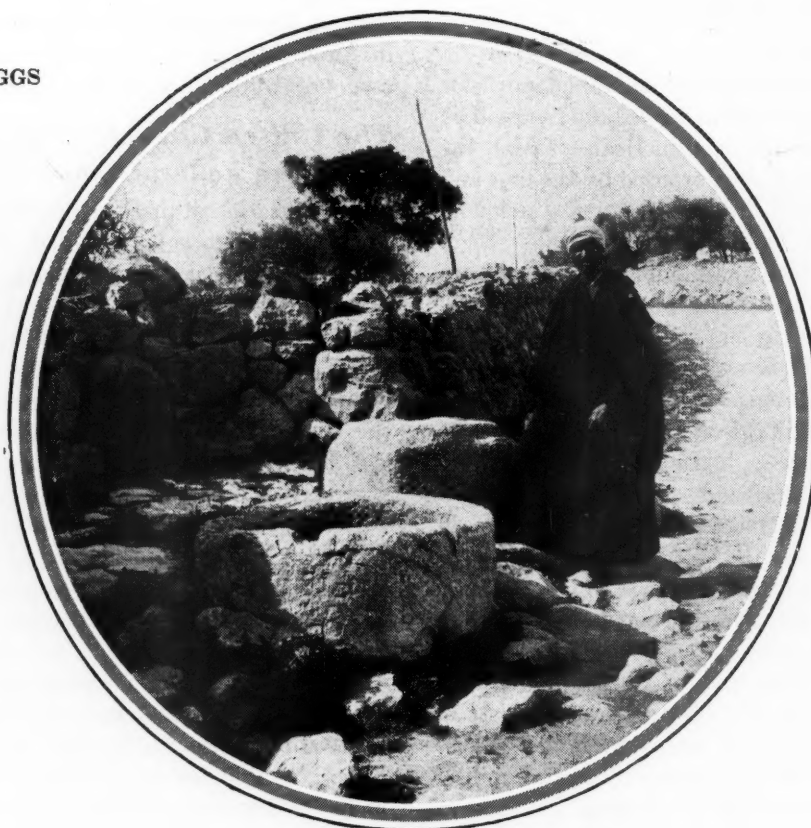


Prof. and Mrs. A. M. Boggs return to India over a route never before traveled by Baptist missionaries

In the Graveyard of Departed Civilizations

By A. M. BOGGS

The ancient well of the Magi



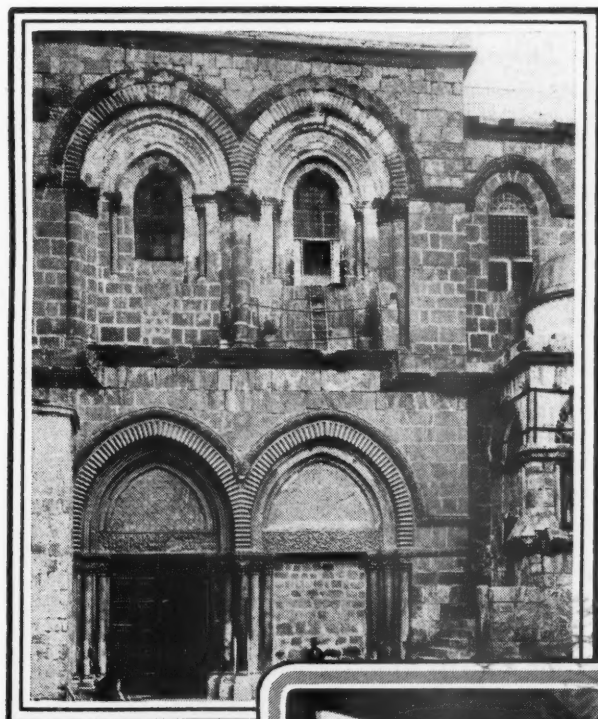
It is on the road to Jerusalem



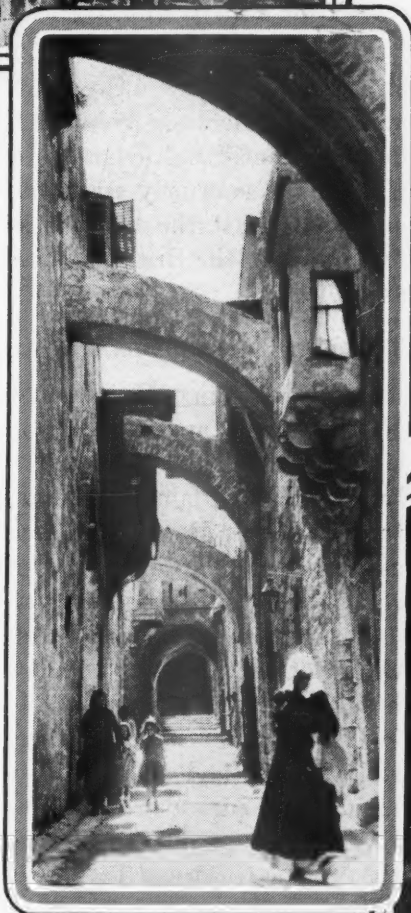
THE entire journey from New York to India was delightful. In crossing the Atlantic we encountered no storms or rough weather. The warm days in the Gulf Stream passed quickly. The day spent in passing through the Azores was a pleasant change from the monotony of water and sky. It was good to go ashore at Gibraltar, with all its evidences of Moorish and Spanish occupation in the past and Britain's powerful hold upon that old rock and town in the present. Cannes gave us a most attractive view of the fascinating French Riviera, with its beautiful hotels and famous resorts for idle millionaires.

The Mediterranean Sea—Glimpses of Palestine—Where Ancient Civilizations lived and died—Across the Syrian Desert—In the land of Nebuchadnezzar —A Vivid Narrative of an Unusual Journey to India

A day in Naples gave us the opportunity to go through Pompeii, which has been resurrected from the past, and to the top of the crater of Vesuvius, and also to see Puteoli, where Paul stopped on his way to Rome. We were also privileged to spend a day in Athens with its immortal temples on the Acropolis. We also visited Mars Hill, the Prison of Socrates, and enjoyed a drive around the Bay of Salamis.



Above: The Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem



Right: The famous Street of Sorrows

Lower right: In a Jewish section of Jerusalem

At Haifa we left the good steamer on which we had been for fifteen days from New York. The landing accommodations are not all that one might desire. It took us several hours to get through with the passport and customs officials. However, we were finally through and were glad to get to a pleasant hotel overlooking the Bay of Acre. Our climb up to the top of Carmel was well repaid by a most wonderful sunset. What a mount of vision! How often during His young manhood must Jesus have climbed a hill above Nazareth, not far away, and looked across the same blue Mediterranean and had visions of a coming day when the great nations beyond the glory of the sunset would be drawn to Himself by the omnipotence of His love!

JEW AND ARAB IN PALESTINE

The next day we drove across the Plain of Acre, through the valley of the Kishon, and over the Plain of Esdraelon, with its modern, prosperous Jewish settlements. Balfouria, named in honor of Lord Balfour, is one of the largest. Two rival civilizations are opposed to one another in this land. One is the old, less efficient and more helpless Arab civilization, of which the British Government is and must be the protector and father. The other is the new, efficient, western civilization of the Jews, who ordinarily need no protection. Yet the situation throughout the land is rendered uncertain and at times unsafe because of the friction, jealousy and suspicion



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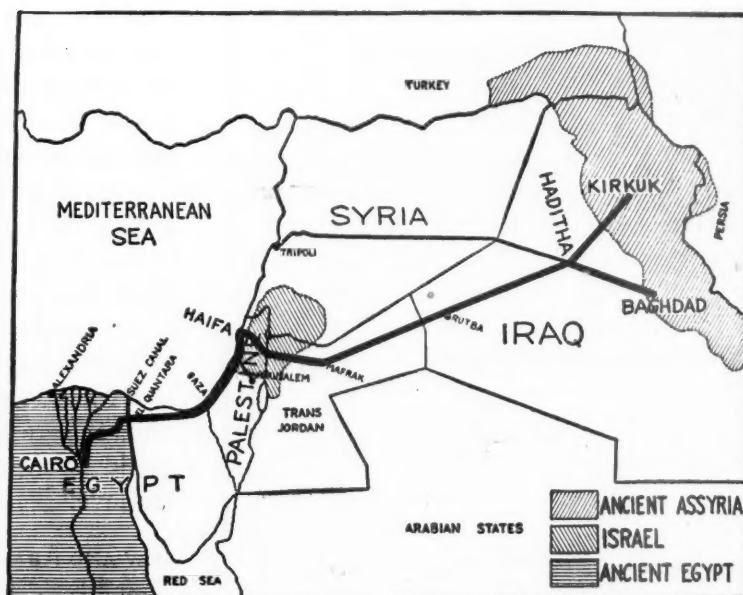
existing between the old inhabitants and the new settlers.

The Arab and Christian working classes as well as the Arab farmers are striding ahead in seven league boots from the sixteenth century into the twentieth because of this twentieth-century invasion of Palestine by the children of Abraham. The Jews give higher wages to laborers than do the older inhabitants. Standards of living are much higher among the Jews. For both of these reasons the newcomers are increasingly disliked.

There has been much malaria in parts of the land due to a lack of drainage. The Jews, however, have set about ridding their cities of this frightful plague by extensive drainage operations.

The communal system of voting, with representatives of the Arabs, Jews and Christians nominated and elected respectively in each case by their own fellow-religionists, is in vogue. It is far from satisfactory and, like the communal system which has been so long an established fact in India, it leads to a continuation and intensification of religious differences, instead of making love for country a supreme power binding all into one great nation.

The Jews, like the Anglo-Saxons, love liberty and independence. They need protectors, and they accept the British as being the least anti-Semitic of the races of Europe. The British are glad to respond and give the needed help under



Map showing the present Arabian states and the motor highway connecting Cairo in Egypt with Baghdad in Iraq

the mandate of the League of Nations. This means that increasingly the British are obtaining in the anti-Semitic lands of Eastern Europe, which have so cruelly and often persecuted the Jews in the past, the same justice and treatment for Jews that the British themselves expect and enjoy.

THROUGH TYRE AND SIDON BY AUTOMOBILE

From the Plain of Esdraelon we drove through Nazareth and Cana to Tiberias, along the Sea of Galilee, past Lake Huleh and through the extremely fertile Plain of Huleh into French territory, and on to Baniyas, which used to be known as Cæsarea Philippi. The British and French roads throughout Palestine and Syria are many and splendid. This delightful day of driving through Galilee and the Lebanon Mountains was brought to an end by a return to Haifa.

The day following we got away as early as possible, for we had a long distance to go before night. The drive around the crescent-shaped Bay of Acre and over the beautiful road cut over the famous Ladder of Tyre by the British troops during the Great War, and along the Mediterranean coast to Beirut, was full of historical interest all the way. We drove into the ancient island city of Tyre, which since Alexander's day has been a part of the mainland. We had lunch



An FWD truck hauling supplies and a portable machine shop across the Syrian Desert

in an Arab restaurant near Sarepta, while the little dogs gathered up the crumbs which fell from our table. It was a joy to see the well-watered city and gardens of Sidon. Beirut is a large, busy, beautiful, modernized city, where the American Board missionaries have been carrying on splendid work for years. While driving through this narrow strip of land, which varies from a few yards to a mile or so in width, one constantly wonders how it was possible for little Phœnicia to exercise such a tremendous influence among the nations of antiquity.

North of Palestine lie two states under the French mandate of the League of Nations, the Lebanon Republic and the State of Syria. The inhabitants told us plainly that their first choice was the Americans and next the British and they also told us of the opposition now felt to the rule of the French over those lands.

IN THE GRAVEYARD OF DEPARTED CIVILIZATIONS

What migrations of the nations have taken place across these lands! Here the great nations of antiquity and many of modern times have lived, fought and died. The succession of by-gone civilizations has left these lands full of wonderful monuments, with an amazing diversity in their architectural styles. Here one sees the burial places of Phœnician kings, Roman temples, Crusaders' castles, Mohammedan mosques and minarets and Christian monasteries.

A study of the racial types shows these races to be a veritable human mosaic, an inexhaustible source of absorbing study. To stand for a few minutes on a crowded corner in one of those great cities is as colorful and interesting as a thrilling motion picture.

The changes in the face of Nature are also equally varied and sudden. Leave the banana trees of the coast and soon you are up among the pines and snows of the Lebanons. Only a little later you are speeding along the rich wheat fields of Bekaa, ancient Coele-Syria, and across the arid ravines of the Anti-Lebanons, and down to the verdant oasis of splashing waters and singing birds and the enchanted gardens of Damascus, which Mohammed compared to Paradise. Only a few miles farther on and you are in the midst of the subtle fascination of the Syrian desert.

From Beirut the road zigzags up the Lebanon Mountains to an altitude of about 7,000 feet, giving one an ever-expanding view of the loveliness of both land and sea. The air has become cold. The heat of the Mediterranean coast has been left far behind. Soon we began to descend the eastern slopes of the mountains into the broad, beautiful, fertile plain known formerly as Coele-Syria. We drove for miles through its splendid farm lands and villages to Baalbek, at the foot of Anti-Lebanon, and were glad to find both food and rest in a good, well-equipped hotel. The night was cold and invigorating.

We were up early the next morning to visit the wonderful, massive ruins of Baalbek, which are among the greatest and most impressive of all the architectural wonders of the old Græco-Roman civilization. Thence we drove for miles through the Bekaa and then crossed over Anti-Lebanon to Damascus, which lies at its foot. What a wondrous delight to the eyes it is, with its thousands of gardens and fountains, fed by the Barada river. What the Nile is to Egypt the Barada is to Damascus. Everything outside of its reach is barren desert. Here we were glad to spend two days in resting and sight-seeing. The scenes connected with Paul's history were very interesting.

CROSSING THE SYRIAN DESERT

Next came a feat impossible in antiquity, but now made possible by splendid American motor buses, operated by the Nairn Eastern Transport Company. With twenty other passengers and two drivers, we left our hotel in Damascus at 7.40 o'clock one morning in one of those huge buses and started eastwards across the desert to Baghdad, a distance of over 500 miles. Formerly this desert united Baghdad, Damascus, and Mecca and other parts of the great Mohammedan Empire of the Caliphs. It was then the centre of the world.

The surface of the desert is hard, being for the most part good soil. It only lacks water to make it good farm land. We passed two French outposts and later crossed the boundary from French territory into British territory. Occasional signposts point the way for travellers. From time to time we passed graves of persons

and skeletons of camels which had perished along the way. At great intervals one sees a few wretched Bedouin tents and camels near a well. About six o'clock we reached Rutba and knew that our journey across the desert was just half done. There the British have built a splendid fort, inside of which they have two wells. After a stop of three hours here for dinner we started on for the second half of this desert journey. The two drivers took turns driving throughout the night. Both day and night travel has become perfectly safe. Numbers of cars were always passing in both directions, both by night and by day. Early the next morning we crossed the broad Euphrates and at 8.45 o'clock that morning we reached Baghdad on the banks of the Tigris, tired but glad that we had had this experience.

We were now in Iraq, where occurred the events recorded in the early chapters of the Bible. It was the cradle of civilization. Leading and stirring events in the world's history have taken place within its borders.

Baghdad, the magic city of the Caliphs and the Arabian Nights, once the religious and educational centre and the military capital of Islam, long famous for oriental splendor and luxurious magnificence, has been destroyed so many times by conquerors that little remains to be seen of the great palaces of once famous rulers. In it one finds early mediaevalism and the last word in modernity all jumbled together. A few miles away is Karbala, with its vast golden domed tomb of Hussain bin Ali, grandson of Mohammed, and 72 other martyrs who perished with him. Thousands of Shiah Muslim pilgrims from many lands annually visit this scene of the great tragedy of twelve centuries ago.

IN THE LAND OF NEBUCHADNEZZAR

A good railway train took us in a few hours through great heat and dust from Baghdad to Hilla, from which station we visited the palaces and temples of Nebuchadnezzar in Babylon. In Babylon there are no great monuments from the past as in Baalbek. For miles bare and

desolate, irregular mounds and heaps of earth and rubble lie along the banks of the Euphrates. A few date palms and willows are the sole descendants of the mighty orchards and groves of the days of Babylon's glory. It is difficult to reconstruct from the ruined walls and gateways, pottery and fragments of bricks with cuneiform inscriptions, trenches of excavators, dreary mounds, Bedouin tents and wandering jackals, the mighty palaces and temples and hanging gardens and three lines of city walls in the proud days of Nebuchadnezzar.

A few hours more on the train took us to Ur of the Chaldees, the first home of Abraham. Recent and extensive excavations have brought back into the light of the present this city which was old when Abraham was born. Its most outstanding building is the zikkurat, or temple tower, built of bricks, with layers of reed mats laid at intervals between the courses. The impress of these mats may be clearly seen on the bitumen which was used as cement. A broad stairway leads to the top, from which one may secure a splendid view of the palaces and temples of Ur. We wandered through the houses and palaces and temples and tombs of long-forgotten Sumerian and Babylonian rulers.

Another night on the train took us to Basra, which was the home of Sinbad, the famous sailor of the Arabian Nights. This is the greatest date port in the world. Iraq produces two-thirds of all the dates consumed by mankind. At Basra we took a steamer which carried us down the Persian Gulf and across the Arabian Sea in seven days to Bombay.

BACK IN INDIA

And so after a memorable journey we are once more back in India! What a wonderful feeling of joy and exhilaration to be back here again at this great work of Christ in this needy land of India. We are very happily located in our Baptist Theological Seminary in Ramapatnam and are looking forward with great anticipation to another term of service here for our Master and the needy people all around us.



The Church That Was Born in a Mess Hall

The famous Hoover Dam across the Colorado River at Boulder City, Nevada, is also the site of a project in which seven Protestant denominations cooperated

By COE HAYNE

THE famous Hoover Dam, when completed, will divert the waters of the Colorado River upon the waste lands of the Southwest, converting thousands of desert acres into productive farms. It will be the largest in the world with a length above crest of 1,180 feet, a width at top of 45 feet and 650 feet at its base; it will require 5,500,000 barrels of cement. It will create the largest artificial lake in the world with a length of 115 miles. Its area will be 145,000 acres with a shore line of 550 miles. The water impounded will measure 30,500,000 acre-feet, or enough to cover the entire state of Connecticut 10 feet deep. The entire project will include a light and power plant supplying

1,200,000 horse power hydro-electric energy; water supply for the city of Los Angeles; irrigation for Southern California; and an all-American canal in the Imperial Valley 75 miles long, 200 feet wide and 34 feet deep at maximum section. Total cost for the entire project, including the dam, the power plant and the canal is not to exceed \$165,000,000. The labor required will be equivalent to that of 238,600 men employed continuously for one year.

On the day when the first steam shovel dug its iron snout into the desert and thus began the gov-



Black Canyon of the Colorado, where Hoover Dam is being built, showing suspension bridge and beginning of the diversion tunnels



Grace Church in Boulder City, Nevada, in which seven Protestant denominations are cooperating

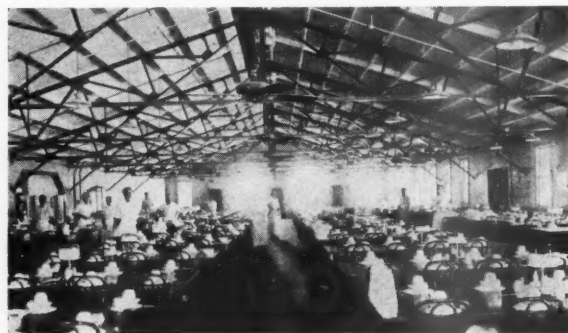
ernment task of creating Boulder City to house the men and their families who were to be engaged in the construction of Hoover Dam, representatives of seven Protestant denominations under the auspices of the Home Missions Council and the Federal Council of Churches were present to set up a cooperative program for the religious and social center of the community.

The new town has a large mess hall which accommodates at one sitting more than one thousand men. Here worship services were begun. Rev. Thomas E. Stevenson, known as "Parson Tom," was called from a successful pastorate to become a director of this unparalleled piece of inter-denominational religious work. He began his work October 1, 1931. In spite of handicaps, the lack of a church plant and much needed equipment, the enterprise has steadily gone forward. A Sunday school was organized. Four temporary cottages built for public schools were used as class rooms. A branch Sunday school was organized at Williamsville, eight miles away.

Recently the church edifice shown on this page was dedicated with the name of Grace Church. The cost of the building is shared by the home mission boards of seven denominations,—Baptist, Congregational, Christian, Methodist Episcopal, Presbyterian, United Presbyterian and United Brethren. Although the membership of

the church is a drifting one, since people are constantly coming and going, the pastor has enlisted his helpers as though they planned to make their home permanently in this city that will some day fade from the desert.

The new church at Boulder City is a church in every sense of the word. A group of high school age young people have organized a Christian Endeavor Society. A Woman's Bible Class was formed. It soon became so large as to outgrow the first place of meeting, the church kitchen. On Easter Day last April, 429 persons attended the church school. The Cradle Roll had an Easter party with more than 100 present. Easter week was marked by special services. Use has been made of the baptistry and on Palm

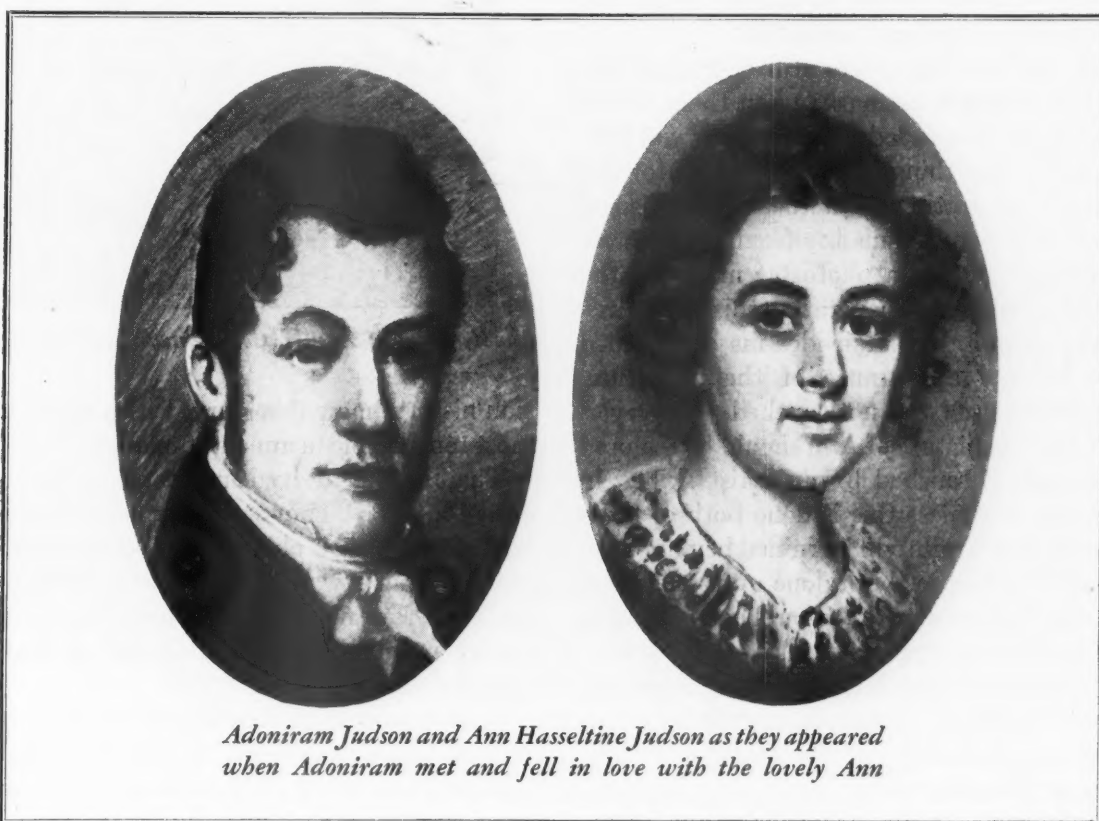


Where it all began. The mammoth mess hall in Boulder City

Sunday three high school boys in the Comrade Club were baptized. Since the project is a co-operative interdenominational enterprise, other forms of admission to church membership are also recognized. All are in full standing.

Thus definite religious impressions are being made in the vast Nevada desert on the lives of many people who were suddenly brought together from everywhere by the gigantic engineering task in the Colorado River.

FOUND In an Attic Trunk



Adoniram Judson and Ann Hasseltine Judson as they appeared when Adoniram met and fell in love with the lovely Ann

The Story of Two Old Miniatures of Adoniram and Ann Hasseltine Judson

By M. E. McINTOSH

RESCUED from a trunk in which for many years they were hidden away in the attic of a Massachusetts home-
stead, two treasured portraits of Ann Hasseltine and Adoniram Judson are now in the possession of the American Baptist Foreign Mis-

sion Society. The pictures are miniatures on ivory and they are the most interesting of all Judson portraits because they were painted before the young couple began their memorable voyage to India on the brig *Caravan*.

Probably the date was 1811. Ann was then in the full bloom of youth and beauty and Adoniram was a young man whose face as pictured by the artist shows none of the lines of care that came with his experience in Burma. Rather it reveals how he must have looked in the vigor of

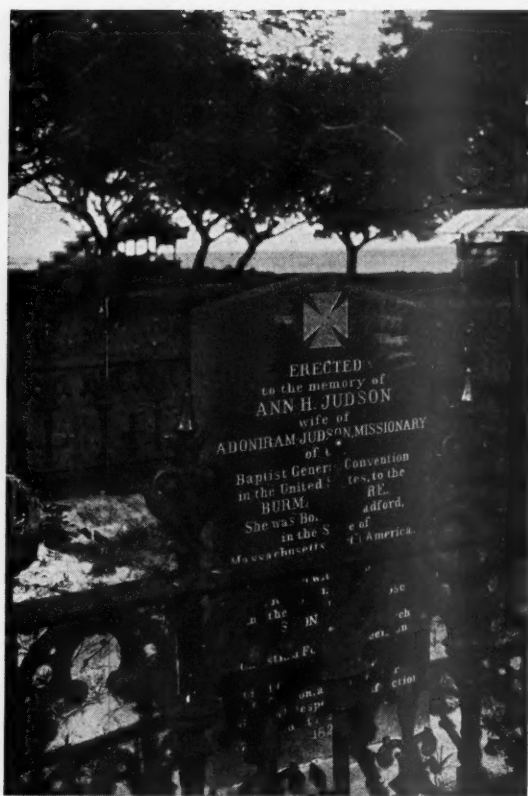
young manhood when he first met and fell in love with the lovely and lovable Ann.

It was when Rev. A. C. Hanna, missionary to Burma, now stationed at the Baptist Theological Seminary, Insein, was home on furlough that the miniatures were taken from the trunk and brought to New York. Mr. Hanna is a grandson of Adoniram Judson and one day when he visited Baptist headquarters he was asked about portraits of his grandfather, whereupon he told about rummaging in the attic of his parents' old home in Northfield and the finding of the miniatures. He promised to bring them to New York. On the day before he sailed for Burma, at the end of his furlough, he did so.

While the miniatures are still charming pictures, time has left its marks upon them. The portrait of Ann has faded somewhat and will fade more unless something is done about it, for the pigment is separating from the ivory in some places. One eye was missing from the portrait of Adoniram, but on a photostat made for the Board of Missionary Cooperation this defect was remedied so well that a fair idea may be formed of the original appearance of the miniature. The painting itself was not touched. However, both it and the picture of Ann should be restored and properly varnished by an artist skilled in such work, for unless this is done both of these priceless old portraits will be ruined beyond hope of repair. It has not been done up to this time for lack of the \$50 or so that would be required to have the work done properly.

This portrait of Ann is the original from which a larger oil painting was made, a painting which in turn was copied by various engravers. The picture of Adoniram as a young man is practically unknown. In the early years of the Burma Mission it was twice reproduced on wood, but the engraving was not well done and the present reproduction is the first one actually to show the features of Judson as he appeared to the artist who painted the picture on ivory so many years ago.

The story of Ann and Adoniram Judson scarcely needs retelling. All students of Baptist mis-



Lonely grave of Ann Hasseltine near Amberst, Burma

sion history know this story, which is one of the most remarkable in annals of missions.

The Judsons arrived in Rangoon, Burma, on June 13, 1813. They were strangers in a strange land. They were obliged first to learn the language. There was no Burmese Grammar and Judson wrote one. Three years later he completed a translation of the Gospel of Matthew into Burmese.

Judson labored in Burma over six years before he won the first convert. The Judsons' struggle to found and maintain a mission in Burma was long and heart-breaking, but from that early struggle has grown the present great work in Burma.

In October, 1826, Ann Judson was stricken with fever and died that month. Adoniram Judson continued his work in Burma until 1850, when he died.

From such beginnings the great foreign mission work of American Baptists has grown.



This is the fourth article in Dr. J. C. Robbins' series descriptive of his journey to British India. The fifth will appear in October

Hens and Pigs and Evangelism

The Laymen's Inquiry devotes an entire chapter to Agricultural Missions. In this article Dr. Robbins reports a visit to the famous Pyinmana Agricultural School where students raise hens and pigs and spend their week-ends in leading the people into the Christian way of life

By JOSEPH C. ROBBINS

MOST of the people of Burma live in small villages. It is clear that Burma will always be an agricultural country. For years to come its population will be dependent for its living on agriculture. One of the outstanding problems of the Christian church is therefore the development of the religious and moral as well as economic life of the thousands of villages in the Province. The Laymen's Foreign Missions Inquiry in its widely read *Re-Thinking Missions* well says that "work for the improvement of agriculture and village life in the Orient is an integral part of the missionary enterprise."

Long before the Laymen's Inquiry was thought of, the Burma Baptist mission recognized this need. In the center of a richly productive agricultural district it established the Pyinmana Agricultural School. More and more the theological seminaries are encouraging their preacher graduates to spend at least a year of special training in this institution.

During my visit to Burma I spent five days at Pyinmana. A farm of 200 acres, with rice, fruit, sugar cane, and other crops; fowls, pigs, cattle; good buildings; a staff of three missionaries, all of them with college training and practical experience in agriculture—men who love boys, who believe in their work, and are interested in the problems of the villages of Burma—all provide an institution that is unique and hope-inspiring. Eighty students of eleven different races enrolled in the school last year. There are classes each day in agriculture and related subjects, in personal and village hygiene, and in the simple carpentry and basketry that will enable the boys to make the implements and utensils used in every village home. Many hours each day are spent in field work on the farm and in the boys' poultry, pig, gardening, and special crop projects. It is interesting to note that of the 75 students who have already graduated from the school, 88% are engaged in some form of rural work.

One of the most helpful things about the agricultural work at Pyinmana is its close and vital relationship to the Burman and Karen farmers and their needs. Each year, in September and April, the school conducts institutes, eleven and fifteen days in length. They were attended last year by 163 and 76 farmers respectively. The school places pure-bred Barred Rock cocks in adjacent villages. The Pyinmana Fresh Egg Association, established and run by the school, helps to market the eggs produced in these villages and supports three men who, as they visit the villages to collect the eggs, not only teach improved practices of poultry keeping, but also encourage the improvement of village sanitation and the growing of improved crops.

There is a constant stream of visitors at Pyinmana. Men and women come from other denominations for study, observation, and consultation concerning the methods of village improvement tested and practiced by the school. In these days when "rural reconstruction" is becoming a mission watchword, it is encouraging to observe the outstanding contribution being made by our Baptist Agricultural School in Burma.

A prominent visitor from America inquired of Rev. Brayton C. Case, the enthusiastic superintendent of the school, as to its object. He re-

plied, "To raise up Christian laymen as village leaders." Then the visitor asked, "Why, 'Christian'?"

Had that visitor come with me to Shwemyo, a village about 25 miles from the school, the answer to the question would have been abundantly evident. This village and one nearby had responded in a most encouraging way to the ministry of the school, and the response had been due to two Burmese Christian laymen. One of these men, easily the village leader, had been the chief means of inducing a large number of the villagers to secure pure-bred fowls from Mr. Case, to collect and ship fresh eggs for the Fresh Egg Association, to introduce a better breed of pigs through purchase of stock from the school, and to improve the sanitary conditions of the village. Two miles away in another village, I again found the outstanding village leader to be a Christian layman, who, on his own farm, had a pen of White Leghorns, another pen of Barred Rocks, some pure-bred hogs, and improved crops. He said also that numbers of farmers from neighboring villages were coming to him for advice and help in improving the life of their own villages. It is the *Christian* laymen who are the pioneers in this program of village improvement.

An important agency through which the school carries its message to the people is the school evangelistic teams which, during the cold season, go out, a small number each week, to spend the week-end in the nearby villages. The team takes a band with them who play. Team members give talks on sanitation, on improving the economic life of the village through poultry-keeping and crop improvement, present a drama, and then give a strong evangelistic witness and appeal.

This practical training in evangelism is quite like that experienced by student teams from Judson College and from the theological seminaries. I spent one Saturday and Sunday with one of these teams in a Karen village. The majority of the team went out to the village on Friday evening, and held an evangelistic meeting there that night. Saturday morning was spent in work of various kinds in the village. The bridge had fallen into disrepair. Some of the boys repaired it. Stubble, stones, and refuse had collected in the part of the village where it was

planned to hold the outdoor meetings, and a number set to work, with hoe and rake, to clear a space for the audience. Others made house-to-house visits through the village. Saturday afternoon was given up to more of such visits and to teaching the children games and songs.

Saturday night, some 300 people gathered in the cleared space. Men, women, and children, they sat, Oriental fashion, in a huge semi-circle under the trees, or watched and listened from the open rooms of the adjoining houses. Three great petroleum lamps brought by the team illuminated the scene, as the band struck up the opening number of the evening's program. The first part of the program, lasting about an hour, was a concert and entertainment that served to bring together and secure the attention of this crowd of non-Christian people. Then the program took a more serious turn with a very effective testimony of the experience of Christ in personal life. This was followed by a drama, "The Prisoners," in which, with most telling effect, was presented a story of salvation from sin through the power of Christ. Then came the appeal to the non-Christian villagers. Members of the team wrote down the names of those who expressed a wish for the new life. Later visits were thereupon arranged to confirm the work here begun.

Sunday morning early there was a devotional meeting for the team only; later there were two services, largely for the Christians of nearby villages since, in this paddy-reaping season, most of the non-Christians were out in the fields. We left the village just as darkness fell, and went as a body to the home of one of the members of the team. Here, in a round-table conference, each member of the team told briefly what the days in this village had meant to him. It was a most effective conclusion of two of the most interesting days that I have spent in Burma.

It was a notable group of young people who impressed me with the radiant buoyancy and the serious earnestness of their Christian life. These gospel teams furnish a very effective means of carrying the gospel. At the same time they provide a real opportunity for Christian students in our mission schools to give expression to their Christian life in practical and helpful service.

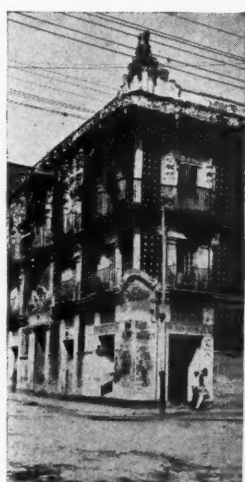
The Mystery of the Man in Black

The strange tale of a man in black who rescued a student from execution — the picturesque ancient city of Torreon — the man whose stolen mule returned with gifts — other phases of life in Mexico

By DOROTHY DETWEILER



Monterrey, city of steel mills and smelters, industrial capital of Mexico, girt on three sides by great mountains



Mexican teachers to attend the National Mexican Baptist Convention.

"That is the building where 300 Chinese lost their lives," said a young school teacher who was

ABOUT fourteen hours' journey by train from Monterrey lies the ancient city of Torreon. Upon this city several years ago Madero, Huerta, Villa and Carranza concentrated their successive attacks in an effort to gain control of the means of communication. For Torreon as a railway center is the key to Northern Mexico. To this city I came with three

our guide and hostess. "I was a little girl then. But how well I remember those dreadful days! A market which occupied that plaza was set on fire by bombs. And the conical hill you see on the edge of the city, crowned with an outcropping of rock, breathed fire and smoke night after night—for ten nights—when Villa himself and 40,000 men attacked the city. They fought only at night. As soon as the sun sank behind the mountains, bullets and shells began to fly. But when the stars grew pale, all was peace and calm, as though not even the threat of war were near."

Then I remembered the strange experience of a young seminary student who was in Torreon in those days. After a night spent in hiding, he and two other men fell into the hands of a party of federals. In the midst of the soldiers there suddenly walked a man dressed in black civilian

dress. He fixed his eyes steadfastly on the young student.

"Let him go," he commanded, "I know him." The daughters of one of the other prisoners wept and pleaded for their father's life. But only the student was released.

"Ah!" cried a soldier running up to the student. "Here is a revolutionist trying to escape!"

"Let him go!" ordered the man in black, "I know him," he said again.

Three times he repeated the words, and thus the student escaped. He is the present pastor of the First Baptist Church of Monterrey. He had never seen the man in black before, nor has he ever set eyes on him since.

Torreon's paved streets, formal plazas, modern buildings, with scars of war wiped out or covered over, seemed to repudiate its recent fearful history. As our daylight hours were occupied in convention sessions, it was by moonlight that we had leisure to stroll about the city, to admire the River Nazas, and to look with curiosity at the low, square tower (torreon means tower), for which the city was named in those days when it stood sentinel over the fields to guard against robber bands from the north.

What was of chief interest to me in the convention was the personalities of the colporters and ministers who had gathered from all parts of the republic. One of the most picturesque figures was a tall rancher from the mountains of Jalisco, a man of fair skin and genial blue eyes who looks like a Yankee skipper in one of Winslow Homer's paintings, but who insists that he is an Indian.

"The people of Jalisco are frank and open, not treacherous," he said. "When we give you our hand, our heart goes with it."

At the table, for most of the delegates ate together, he shared with us cheeses, honey and avocados which he had brought from his mountain ranch. It was a tiny ranch at the foot of a cliff which rises a sheer 3,000 feet. For 23 years he has been in mission work, and he has a mule which has been in the work 17 years. Once the Cristeros (fanatical Catholics) stole the mule. Within a few days the animal found her way back to her master, bringing him a fine new saddle and a gun. Such an intelligent mule! "Her name," he said, "is Fulanita" (Little So-and-So).

At the eighth annual institute for colporters

of all denominations, held in Monterrey, an interesting feature came at one of the evening meetings. In slow procession the colporters moved down the aisle singing the valiant words of their hymn. They were dressed as though for a long journey, loaded with packs of Bibles, with brilliant serapes across their shoulders. Though it lacked the pomp of splendid cathedral processions that dazzle and awe the senses with their tapers and swinging censers, it was a moving spectacle that impressed every onlooker with the dignity and spiritual significance of the colporter's mission. One of the colporters was a woman from far-away Yucatan.

While in southern Mexico in company with my youngest sister, who was visiting me, we arrived in Puebla in time to share in the excitement of welcoming Dr. F. L. Meadows back from a long missionary trip through the mountains of Oaxaca. It is scarcely necessary to explain to Baptists that he is the head of the hospital "Latino-Americano" in Puebla. Slender and tanned, wearing a straw helmet like the cork helmets of India, he looked as though he might have returned from a lion hunting expedition in



The Cathedral in Mexico City



A picturesque view of the old city of Puebla

Afghanistan. Indeed, a lion did cross his path one night.

On this trip he saw the sun rise out of the Pacific, a statement which I felt inclined to challenge, as according to my orthodox notions of geography the Pacific Ocean is in the west. But from the Isthmus of Tehuantepec the Pacific is in the east. He described with enthusiasm a marvelous waterfall which he had seen shining by moonlight—a waterfall which spilled out of a round bowl surrounded by dark woods.

On this trip he passed the mouth of some caverns which years ago had been closed by Porfirio Diaz. They were supposed to be haunted by sorcerers who claimed to be able to transport themselves to Mexico City and back, through the secret passages of the caves, in the space of five hours. As this spot is a good eight days' journey away from Mexico City, it was an extravagant claim. To prove its validity they showed silks, perfumes, and other merchandise which could only have come from the capital. The true source of their wealth was by no means sorcery, however, but itinerant merchants whom they killed and plundered.

In the Monterrey church the week of prayer

was observed with nightly services. They were well attended. Their blessing and inspiration are evident in an increased activity and warmth of interest among the members. You will be glad to know that fervent prayers were offered for Colegio Internacional; for its teachers, for its children, and for the Society which supports it. They were prayers which revealed real gratitude for the contribution of the Society to the Baptists of Mexico.

A cloud of apprehension hangs over us, for the Minister of Education has recently made a move to close all private schools in Mexico, irrespective of their observance of the religious law. We hope that those in the government who have received their education in evangelical schools will exert their influence sufficiently to prevent the realization of this intention. Our college (Colegio Internacional) has an enrolment of over 140 this year, and is carrying on its program with regularity and enthusiasm.

So we bespeak your prayers also, that the teachers may be missionaries in the fullest sense of the term, and that the Mexican government may permit evangelical schools to continue to function in this land.



PERSONALITIES

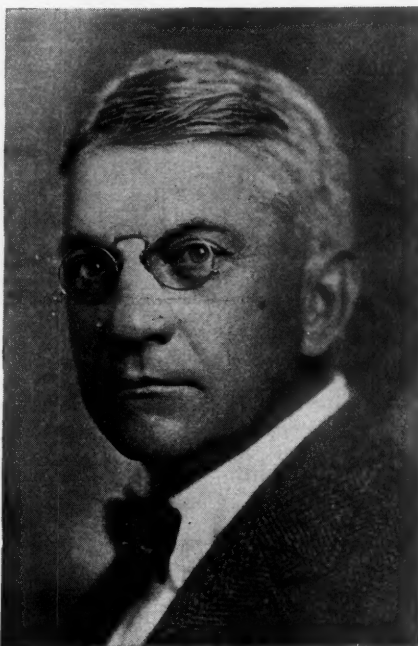
William Lyon Phelps

AFTER a brilliant career of forty years as Professor of English Literature, William Lyon Phelps retired in June. This news cannot but bring sorrow to Yale men everywhere. Year after year he was elected by the outgoing senior class as Yale's most popular teacher. Brilliant professor, great friend, lovable personality, he typified in high degree the Christian gentleman and the gentlemanly Christian. For many years he had also served as Honorary Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in New Haven. The host of Northern Baptists who attended the Cleveland Convention in 1930 will long remember his Memorial Day address on "The Religion of Christ and the Religion of Nationalism." For two years the Editor had the privilege of sitting in his classroom. It is for him one of life's memorable blessings. No living teacher is remembered by his students with more admiration and affection. Men of his character and influence make a university great. It is a pity that humanity does not produce more of them.

Adam Podin

THE retirement of Adam Podin from the pastorate of the Baptist Church in Keila, Esthonia, ends a chapter in denominational service without parallel in Baptist history. For forty years "The Apostle to the Esthonians" has preached the gospel with evangelistic fervor. Imprisoned, in chains, condemned to death for his faith, in the years when his country was still part of the old Czarist Empire of Russia, Adam Podin promptly utilized the new opportunity for Baptists when religious liberty was guaranteed in the new Republic of Esthonia. As director of relief work after the war, in which Northern Baptists participated through the "Ship of Fellowship," as pastor of the Keila church, as President of the new Baptist Theological Seminary in Reval, the Estho-

Four Well Known Baptists Retire after forty years of Distinguished Service



William Lyon Phelps, esteemed, honored and loved by Yale men everywhere

nian capital (now known as Tallinn), as prison chaplain and chaplain to several leper colonies, he has carried on a ministry of singular effectiveness and power. At the age of 70 he retires with assurance of appreciation by his government which publicly honored him, with the enduring gratitude of his people and the love of his brethren everywhere.

Alonzo M. Petty

KNOWN intimately and affectionately by thousands of Baptists, Alonzo M. Petty has spent nearly all of his life on the Pacific Coast. His retirement as Field Secretary of the Home Mission Society closes a service of forty years during which he was pastor of several important churches in California, Executive Secretary of the California State Convention, Joint District Secretary of the Home and Foreign Mission Societies, and in more recent years Field Representative of the Board of Missionary Cooperation. A worthy tribute was paid him by *The Arizona Baptist* when it said, "No one on the Pacific Coast has the confidence of the denomination more generally than Dr. Petty." Now in the realm of retirement he can look back with serene satisfaction on a notable and widely useful service to the Kingdom of God.

Jacob Heinrichs

ANOTHER forty-year service veteran who retired this year is Prof. Jacob Heinrichs of the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary. As a missionary he went to India in 1889. Here he served for more than 20 years as President of the Ramapatnam Theological Seminary. Returning to America in 1918, he joined the Chicago institution. In 1919 he went on a special mission of reconciliation to the German-speaking churches of Alsace-Lorraine that the War had transferred to the sovereignty of France. On June 13th Dr. Heinrichs with his wife and daughter sailed for Palestine to visit his son, Waldo, at the new Y. M. C. A. in Jerusalem.

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Fifteen People with a Blank Check

PRESIDENT W. S. Abernethy and ex-President C. O. Johnson, in accordance with the authority given them at Washington, announce the following fifteen members of the new Commission on Reorganization:

Rev. C. W. Atwater	Indianapolis, Ind.
Rev. A. W. Cleaves	Providence, R. I.
Mrs. H. F. Compton	Seattle, Wash.
Rev. Charles Durden	Omaha, Neb.
Prof. G. B. Ewell	Rochester, N. Y.
Mrs. N. C. Fetter	Cambridge, Mass.
Ray L. Hudson	Philadelphia, Pa.
Mrs. A. LeGrand	Milwaukee, Wis.
Mrs. Sylvester Schiele	Chicago, Ill.
John Singleton	Chicago, Ill.
Rev. John B. Smith	San Diego, Cal.
Rev. Howard Wayne Smith	Ardmore, Pa.
Pres. W. G. Spencer	Franklin, Ind.
Prin. C. C. Tillinghast	New York, N. Y.
Hon. W. H. Witty	Pocatello, Idaho

These fifteen people have been given a blank check to reorganize the denomination. To be sure, the check they draw will need a signature. That will be affixed at Rochester if their work receives Convention approval. Never before in the history of the Northern Baptist Conven-

tion has a commission been given so broad a charter or assigned so difficult a task. On page 386 appears their first official announcement.

An unparalleled opportunity has been placed in their hands. They began their work early. In the torrid heat of midsummer they had their first meeting in Chicago. Other meetings are projected for the autumn. Extensive correspondence and research are already under way. A preliminary report is to be presented at the mid-year denominational meetings in December.

We are indulging in no trite comment when we say that these fifteen people deserve our sympathy; they merit our cooperation; they are worthy of every possible assistance that Baptists everywhere can give them; above all, they stand in need of prayer. To them much has been assigned; of them much will be demanded. More than human wisdom will be required if their task is to be achieved.

The Nation's Summons to the Christian College

TWO paragraphs from a report at Washington deserve widespread emphasis. They set forth an unparalleled situation faced by the Christian colleges of America.

The Christian colleges are summoned to a mission more serious than ever faced before. This crisis through which our country and the world is passing is not primarily financial, but moral and spiritual. It is crushing us financially because it is fundamentally moral. Had it been merely financial, we could have passed out of it long ago. It is because we have had a breakdown in moral character that it persists so long. The world has lost faith in the moral character of its leadership.

We have to start and build a new leadership that shall have a sound moral and spiritual basis. Of no agency except the church is so much required today as of the Christian colleges. A service is required of these institutions with which nothing in the last fifty years is comparable. The nation needs the services which they are chartered to render as it never needed them before. They face a challenge the like of which they have never heard before.

What Dr. Frank W. Padelford in his report of the Board of Education so vividly portrayed was confirmed at hundreds of college commencements a month later. Between the lines of many

a baccalaureate address to departing graduates there was revealed a sense of grave responsibility resting upon college authorities. Our schools, Christian as well as state and private, must not now fail us in producing a new type of Christian leadership for the nation, or somewhere in the future a crisis far more devastating than that from which we seem to be slowly emerging, will be as certain as that the night follows the day.

Another school year opens this month. If ever the schools and colleges of America needed the full moral and financial support of their constituencies, the time is now.

A Futile Procedure Is Repeated

THE position taken in an editorial in *MIS-*SIONS for May 1933, was confirmed at Washington. After absenting themselves from several important sessions in order to draft resolutions, a committee of 34 delegates, one from each state, brought in a report embodying the resolutions published on page 443. The attendance was woefully small when the report was presented. Fully two-thirds of those registered as delegates and visitors were not present and will never know what it was all about unless they now read these resolutions. After debate over several amendments, the report was finally adopted. The whole procedure seemed again so hopelessly futile. Of what purpose is it to spend time and energy in argument over amendments when nothing is done about carrying the resolutions themselves into effect after they are adopted? Now that we have again formulated a set of convention resolutions, they will, like their predecessors, repose safely in the convention archives and be forgotten. And then at the next convention in Rochester the whole procedure will be repeated. Resolution is of no consequence unless it is followed by positive action.

The Camel and the Needle's Eye

DURING the summer the press of New York devoted columns of space to the trial of a banker charged with evasion of income taxes. Upon his acquittal the papers discussed the case with reference to banking changes, revised in-

come tax laws, and other financial reforms. All of them missed entirely one aspect which justifies mention here.

According to published figures, this banker in 1930 reported an income of more than \$1,000,000. For tax computation he deducted \$8,500 as gifts to charitable purposes. It figures less than one per cent. Since the government allows up to fifteen per cent., it is reasonable to suppose that out of his million dollar income, \$8,500 was all he gave to recognized charitable or philanthropic projects. Does not this suggest an almost complete repudiation of the principle of stewardship, a lamentable failure to recognize social responsibility? What proportion of his contributions went to a church or to any missionary causes is not stated. How much was given to unemployment relief is also not known. During the winter of that year there were long bread-lines in New York. Thousands of unemployed men aimlessly walked the streets by day and fitfully slept in free lodging houses at night. With arduous effort the city raised \$10,000,000 for unemployment relief. How much of that huge sum came from the banker's \$8,500 contribution is not reported.

Far be it from us to specify what he should have done. Nobody has a right to calculate what anybody shall do for somebody. Yet the principle of stewardship holds true. Every man has obligations to those less fortunate than himself. And that obligation expands with the increase in his own abundance. Long ago the Master applied His classic phrase about the camel and the needle's eye to men who either repudiate this obligation or at best accept it grudgingly and give it pitiful response. All honor therefore to that noble host of Christian folk of all denominations who out of their own reduced incomes during these years of agony not only generously supported the ministries of the Christian church, but likewise shared in relief for the destitute and unemployed.

Editorial ♦ Comment

♦ A sharp rebuke to local churches whose boards of trustees had taken funds given for benevolences and missions and had used the money to help meet church expenses, was administered by the Lutheran Synod of

New York at its annual convention. "That we should not divert missionary funds, no matter how urgent the local necessity, cannot be questioned," says the report presented by a special committee. "Your committee earnestly reminds the congregations of this synod that this practice in any other sphere would be illegal. What is of far more serious moment, in our judgment, is the fact that such a practice is morally culpable and spiritually stultifying. It is true equally of congregations as of individuals, that if one is willing to lose his life for Christ's sake, he will find it."

◆ It costs something for a Baptist Church in the South to be represented in the Southern Baptist Convention. The Constitution expressly states that only such churches as actually contribute to the work of the Convention can send representatives. Each contributing church is entitled to one representative, and one additional representative for each \$250 contributed. Heretofore no church could send more than three. This year the limit was raised to ten.

◆ As announced in these columns (see MISSIONS, December, 1932, page 616), Miss Minnie V. Sandberg, former Foreign Secretary of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society, and Secretary Charles H. Sears of the New York City Mission Society were

married in New York on July 11th. The ceremony was performed in the chapel of the Riverside Church by Rev. Stanley B. Hazzard, assisted by Secretary James H. Franklin. Dr. and Mrs. Sears sailed that afternoon for Bermuda. They expect to return about September 1st and will make their home in Yonkers, N. Y. A host of friends join in hearty congratulations and best wishes.

◆ An interesting rumor from Rome was published in *The New York Sun* to the effect that the Roman Catholic Church is considering having the next Pope elected by the 1200 bishops of the Church instead of by the 60 cardinals. The Pope himself is said to favor this fundamental change. For more than 750 years the cardinals have elected the Popes. If the change is made the United States would have 104 votes represented by 104 bishops instead of only four votes represented by four cardinals.

◆ The Bible, or some part of it, has been published in 936 languages and dialects, according to an announcement by the American Bible Society. This total, in which no duplication of language or dialect occurs, represents publications of the three major Bible Societies of the world: the American Bible Society, the British and Foreign Bible Society, the National Bible Society of Scotland, as well as several missionary organizations. The latest translation is the Gospel of Mark in Mundang, a dialect used in Africa. The entire New Testament has appeared in 190 languages. The complete Bible has been published in 174 languages.

◆ Owing to popular demand, Dr. Frank W. Goddard's informing account of medical work in China, which appeared in MISSIONS nearly three years ago, has been reprinted in pamphlet form for the third time. With several new photographs and a brief historical review of medical missions in East China, his monograph is brought up to date. The appalling medical ignorance and prejudice in China, and the remarkable results of medical missions are told in authoritative and illuminating fashion. "Why Modern Medicine in China" is the title. Copies are available free to anybody on request.

◆ How it feels to be 82 years of age is beautifully set forth in a poem on page 438. Do not fail to read it. The entire family of MISSIONS' readers join in heartiest felicitations to its author, Dr. Howard B. Grose, who celebrates his 82nd birthday on September 5th. Notwithstanding his years, he remains young in outlook and spirit as the Royal Ambassador boys can testify, for they had a good time with him on his visit to the Ocean Park camp.

THE GREAT DELUSION

NUMBER 3. Beer or Ice Cream Soda

ALTHOUGH Congress has taken the position that a certain beverage now flooding the country is non-intoxicating, the Loft chain of candy and soda fountain stores in New York apparently believes otherwise. It will have none of the stuff served at its counters. The management says:

There is absolutely no place in the Loft Stores for beer. Loft was in business many years before prohibition. Loft has never sold beer. There is no need for a change in policy now. The very nature of the Loft business is to cater to young folks patronizing soda fountains for sodas, sundaes, sandwiches and pure foods. In the opinion of the Loft Management it is unwise for us to sell beer.

It is encouraging to know that there are some places even in New York City where the Constitution of the United States will continue to be observed regardless of Congressional action at Washington.

NEWS FROM THE WORLD OF MISSIONS

A monthly digest from letters and reports of field correspondents

Honored for Service in Rural Fields

The Home Mission Society each year gives Honor Certificates under the Rosa O. Hall Fund to those pastors in the Northern Baptist Convention who have rendered outstanding service in rural fields. Last year four such certificates were rewarded. The recipients of the honor this year are as follows:

Rev. E. H. Clark, of Union Center, S. D., who has rendered excellent service in his extensive rural field, especially in religious education, pastoral service, evangelism, and social service.

Rev. Henry Jacobs of New Plymouth, Idaho, recently removed to Mt. Vernon, Washington, the leading rural pastor in all that region. During his pastorate he brought the church to self-support, erected a new building and profoundly affected the whole community life.

Rev. August Heringer of Venturia, N. D., for thirty years or more a rural home missionary. He has rendered an heroic service to the German Baptist churches of North Dakota, giving himself unstintedly in evangelism and pastoral service on the plains of that state.

They Sang on Mother's Day in Japan

The accompanying photograph sent by J. Howard Covell of Japan shows the Yokohama Oratorio Society at the close of a concert in Shiloh Church of Yokohama. The director is a prominent Baptist business man active in the Kanagawa Baptist church. The singers represent various denomi-

nations. Six of them are Baptists. A concert in honor of Mother's Day was one of the features of the Society's activities in May. Mr. Covell is in the front row, second from the left.

Los Angeles Has a Huge Mexican Population

More than 97,000 Mexicans live in the city of Los Angeles and 167,000 are in the county. In addition, thousands of American citizens in this area are Spanish-speaking. Los Angeles is thus the center of the largest Mexican Baptist population in the United States.

Fifteen churches and missions, large and small, with some hundreds of members, make up the constituency of the Spanish-American Baptist Seminary. Students also come from the states to the East as far as Kansas. Three of this year's students are from Central America. Through its correspondence department the Seminary is educating workers in Cuba, Puerto Rico, Mexico, El Salvador and other Latin-American countries. The student body in

residence numbers twenty-two. They show great zeal in Christian work.

Nine of them are now serving as pastors of churches in Los Angeles and nearby places, some without remuneration and at their own expense. The others are all active in Sunday school work and house-to-house visitation.

Although thousands of Mexicans have been sent in train loads back to Mexico, the multitudes who still remain furnish a hopeful field for evangelization.

The Japan Mission Is 60 Years Old

Sixty years ago, on March 2, 1873, to be exact, the first Baptist church was organized in Japan. There were only four charter members, all missionaries, Nathan Brown, his wife, Jonathan Goble, who served as church clerk, and his wife. The 60th anniversary was appropriately celebrated by meetings in Yokohama where the church was first constituted. Over 300 persons were in attendance. Those who could not be crowded into the auditorium



The Yokohama Oratorio Society

heard the addresses by radio in the basement. The Yokohama Memorial Church presented each guest with a facsimile of a photograph of Dr. Brown and of a page in the first registry of the church.

An interesting collection of articles and photographs were exhibited. Among them was a large Burmese Bible, presented by Adoniram Judson to his "brother, Nathan Brown." Dr. Brown, it will be remembered, pioneered in Bible translation work in Japan as did Dr. Judson in Burma.

From that humble beginning has grown the present Baptist mission with its staff of 52 missionaries, 328 Japanese associates, 43 Japanese Baptist churches of which 17 are self-supporting.

Pacific Coast Baptists Honor Dr. A. M. Petty

More than 100 Baptist ministers and church workers were guests at a luncheon in Temple Baptist Church, Los Angeles, in honor of Dr. Alonzo M. Petty, whose retirement as field representative of the Home Mission Society is announced on page 406.

Dr. Walter Woodbury, as president of the Los Angeles Baptist Ministers' Conference, was in charge of the program. Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Petty and Dr. Fern Petty, their son, occupied the places of honor. Tributes were paid by Dr. A. W. Rider, of the Foreign Mission Society; Dr. Otto Russell, of the Southern California Convention; Dr. James B. Fox, of the Los Angeles City Mission Society; Dr. John Snape, of Temple Baptist Church; Dr. Edwin Brown, director of Mexican Baptist work; Dr. Harry Booth of Pittsburgh, Pa., and others.

In speaking of his father Dr. Fern Petty, brother of Wallace and Ray—who died last year, said, "As I regard him impersonally, I see him as a man gifted with the

genius for making friends and the art of keeping his friends." Referring to the double tragedy which darkened the home during the year, he said, "Any man who can stand up and take without weakening, what my father took this past year is a minister extraordinary, and as such I salute him."

Dr. A. W. Rider who traveled through associations and state conventions with Dr. Petty, said, "One of the reasons why Dr. Petty has lived his great life is because he

early espoused a great cause—missions."

Dr. James F. Fox, who has been closely associated with Dr. Petty for over a quarter century, said, "I do not believe that any other denominational worker has done so much for our cities of the west as Dr. Petty. His hand has been in the dedication of more Baptist churches in this western country than that of any other person. We cannot express in words the place he occupies in our hearts."

Blessings from Adversity

Under the pressure of the financial crisis the Burma Mission Conference transfers responsibility to the Christians of Burma

Reported by F. G. DICKASON

TWO possible policies confronted the missionaries of Burma at the annual mission conference held in Maymyo, April 4-10: (1) to spread mission money and missionary time even thinner than at present; or (2) to abandon stations and schools in order that others be kept up to high standards of efficiency and activity. The first policy had certain values. We could at least keep in touch with what had been carried on in the past. On the other hand, all admitted that with greatly reduced gifts from home, all of our work would be in danger if we failed to concentrate on some of our most important schools and evangelistic centers. On the other hand, to follow the second policy would mean the abandonment of isolated groups of Christians who need all the help and friendship that a missionary can give.

The appeals from these people made us feel that some third way must be found and we found it. Instead of closing schools and stations, we turned them over to the Christian groups of those places for financial support and control.

This is no easy burden for these Christians to assume because the depression has struck Burma just as hard as America. But faced with the certainty of losing their schools, they have in several cases risen to the need and have assumed the financial responsibility. The depression has been a blessing in disguise because it has hastened the taking over by nationals of the finances and leadership of work started by the mission. This shifting of responsibility is a thing we all are working towards. God has used our money shortage to hasten this change.

The Conference voted that an educational secretary be appointed to supervise and correlate our school work. This is especially important as a means of keeping up the efficiency of our mission schools now that there is to be less individual missionary supervision. Missionaries released from school work will now be able to spend more time in direct evangelistic work.

For the past several years we have had a growing conviction that we should do more to fit the

young people entering the ministry here in Burma for work in rural communities. To influence farmers, they really need to know not only about things of the spirit but also about things of the soil—vegetables, chickens, and pigs. Young people intending to enter religious work in villages will take at least one year of training at our Agricultural School at Pyipmana in addition to their usual work at a Bible school.

We, who are away from America, realize the great sacrifices you are making in order to continue this spreading of the gospel among these people so far removed from your everyday lives, yet so close as fellow members in Christ's great plan of the Kingdom.

Hospital Patients from 25 States

At the Northwestern Baptist Hospital annual meeting at St.

Paul, Minn., the financial situation was reviewed by Dr. George Earl, president. A. M. Calvin, secretary, reported: "During the past year our hospitals rendered 56,851 service days, compared with 66,198 last year. It is interesting to know that in spite of the decreased number of service days rendered for all classes of patients, we have a slight increase in the number of babies born—602 this year compared with 586 last year. Patients were received from 25 states."

Miss Mary Danielson, superintendent of the Mounds-Midway School of Nursing, reported the nursing profession to be overcrowded, and urged higher requirements for admission of students. Only high school graduates with a high scholastic record have been admitted during the past year. Enrolment has maintained a fair average, with 61 out of 96

student nurses being Baptist girls, coming from ten states. She reported also on the Bible study course, chapel services and the work of the mission circle. Many graduates are serving in foreign fields, the last graduate appointed being Mrs. Reuben Holm, formerly Edna Pearson, who with her husband was recently appointed to Assam.

Of the \$300,000 of welfare service rendered by the Mounds Park Sanitarium and the Midway Hospital, more than 90% was given to Baptist workers and other needy sick who are not residents of St. Paul. Small salaried and aged ministers and missionaries and their dependents who came from 25 states received help. The hospitalization of these denominational workers is the direct responsibility of Baptists generally and only partially a local obligation.



Missionaries Attending the Woman's Home Mission Society Tea in Washington, D. C., May 26, 1933

Front row, left to right: Ruth Maguire, Marion Anderson, H. Mary Sundell, Lydia Huber, A. May Hill, Pearl Vilhauer, Ethel Garbutt, Anna Sabados, Mrs. Webber, Judith Lindquist, Elizabeth Robinson

Second row: Mrs. W. A. Petzoldt, Maria Miller, Gertrude Miller, Mrs. Mattie Anderson, Rosalie Olson, Mrs. Dawson, Alma Clifford, Mary Ayres, Dorothy Bucklin, Miss Cooper, Bertha Nicolet, Mathilda Brown

Third row: Hazel McAfee, Mrs. Amalia Paulini, Delma Maher, Henrietta Johnston, Frances Priest, Elizabeth Allport, Josephine Brown, Rhoda Lundsten, Janet Aylor, Marguerite Tift, F. Gaye Harris

Puzzled Minds and Anxious Hearts

There is a note of sadness in Mr. Witter's report of the annual South India Mission Conference as he asks some searching questions about its future

REPORTED BY T. V. WITTER

THIS year's conference found us facing the most critical situation in a quarter of a century and more. With a missionary force sadly depleted; with a considerable group leaving on furlough and little probability of replacements for the years ahead; with serious financial problems caused by recent cuts and with greater ones to face because of more cuts; retrenchment, the sale or scrapping of bungalows, the giving up of work and positions won at such cost of prayer and sacrifice; not knowing just where to cut again and what to sacrifice; facing all these factors, fears and forebodings rose in mind and heart. Was this the beginning of retreat or of decline in this wonderful old Lone Star Mission?

Into such a confused and distressing situation, when our morale was being sorely tried and tested, the visit of Drs. J. C. Robbins and F. W. Padelford came as a clear, cool breath of morning air with accompanying sunshine, dispelling mist and doubt, bracing spirits and showing us where we actually were and the way out.

The conference opened with an inspiring and deeply spiritual address by Dr. J. C. Robbins, our Foreign Secretary. We were profoundly moved and challenged to more Christ-like living and service, as we were taught anew that the greatest contribution we had for India was just ourselves, the impact and influence of Christ-like personalities on India's life.

Thursday and Friday were given up entirely to addresses by our two secretaries and informal

conference as to the situation confronting us. Our discussion was carried on under definite heads.

What adjustments are necessary in view of the decrease in appropriations and personnel? Is it necessary to withdraw missionaries from certain stations? Must any educational institutions be scrapped? Can larger use be made of trained Indian leaders? Is it possible to decrease foreign subsidies for evangelistic work? How shall we react to the Laymen's Report? What of our mission centenary in 1936?

As to conclusions and actions, it was voted to favor the transfer of the Vepery Baptist Church and its work to the English Baptists as soon as possible. Two mission bungalows are to be sold. The Nandyal field is to be reunited with Kurnool and the Sattanapalle field with Narsaravupet. The church property is to be retained for the Telugus. No high school is to be closed. Appropriations for fields without a resident missionary are to be greatly reduced. Self-support is to be urged as rapidly as possible in schools and at the King Hostel in Madras, by increasing fees. The Telugu Baptists will take over the administration and partial support of the Ongole High School by June 1934.

An important step taken was the appointment of a joint committee of missionaries and Indians to speed up devolution and the assignment of administrative responsibility to trained and capable leaders. The transient factor, the foreign mission, must decrease that the permanent factor, the

indigenous Christian community, may increase.

Our morning devotions were led by Dr. A. M. Boggs of the Seminary, and our afternoon devotions by Miss Genevra Brunner, of the Nellore Bible Training School. Saturday was devoid of business and given up to spiritual fellowship, interchange of Christian experience, and prayer. Rev. E. Frykenberg led the morning and afternoon sessions. The night service was devoted to an old-fashioned testimony and experience meeting and lasted over two hours. We were led in a very wonderful way to feel our oneness in Jesus Christ. I have experienced nothing like this during my 20 years with this mission.

The Telugu sermon on Sunday morning was preached by Rev. C. Unruh. A most encouraging feature of the service was the presence of a large body of Hindus. One of them sang verses in honor of Christ. A memorial service for Dr. Ida Fay Levering was held at 4 o'clock. Dr. W. A. Stanton of Kurnool preached the English sermon Sunday night. The missionary children gave a most enjoyable musical evening.

The regular social evening of the conference was observed Monday night when we welcomed back Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Boggs and received our lone new missionary, Miss Eva M. Gruen. It was with hearts full of thankfulness yet distinct sadness that we bade farewell to Dr. and Mrs. George H. Brock, who have meant so much to the mission. They have spent over 40 years of service in India.

This conference marks the passing of the Lone Star Mission as we have known it for years. It will never be the same. It has begun to lay down its life and existence that an indigenous organization may carry on. May God bless the Lone Star Mission.

"Live It Through"

BY CHARLES S. DETWEILER

JESUS said "that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment." Resolutions passed by the Northern Baptist Convention and then forgotten may well be counted among these "idle words." The call to "live it through" is a call to action. Weaknesses, doubts and fears will dissolve when we are hard at work.

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THE WASHINGTON CONVENTION passed two significant resolutions. *First*, it adopted certain objectives for the local church: the raising of our standards of entrance into the church, the enlistment of all of our members in the work of the church, the study and survey of the field of the church, the use of the best-known financial methods, and finally an adequately planned evangelism. *Second*, it placed evangelism before the churches as their major objective, and requested a coordinated effort to enlist every local church.

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THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM of the Home Mission Society has taken these resolutions seriously and plans to make them effective. It offered to make possible the selection of a special leader for this purpose, and then joined with President W. S. Abernethy and his cabinet in inviting Dr. George Pitt Beers of Paterson, N. J., to be associated with the president in this movement of spiritual revival. The Paterson Church generously shares its pastor with all the churches for this convention year.

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SEPTEMBER IS THE MONTH OF PREPARATION in which every pas-

tor will plan his participation in this movement. The first step in increasing church attendance is to know the facts. Therefore let provision be made so that the names of all attendants can be registered in October, so that non-attendant members may be sought out and awakened. It has long been the reproach of our critics that we have failed to train in Christian ways a large proportion of those whom we have admitted to the church. Recovery of careless members is of first importance. The registration of all attendants will also reveal new friends for visitation evangelism.

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OCTOBER IS ALSO THE MONTH OF RENEWED CONSECRATION to the service of the church. Members should be challenged to commit themselves to public and private worship, to active membership in one of the societies of the church, and to the work of personal evangelism as visitors. Our Lord would bind men to Him by ties of gratitude—by a sense of in-

debtedness that might well be emphasized at the Lord's Supper. Before telling men what Christ asks of them, let us set forth what Christ has done for them.

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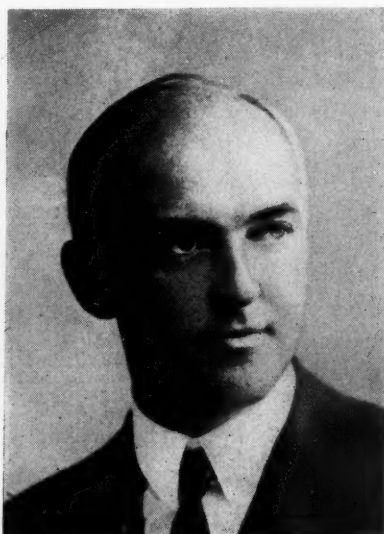
LET PREPARATION BE MADE for the simultaneous reading of the New Testament on a schedule that will permit of its being read through in twenty weeks, from October first. Let the members be encouraged to make discoveries for themselves in this reading. In a thorough reading of the whole book many will discover anew passages which they had forgotten or verses they had never known. If the Holy Spirit is to work in people's lives a knowledge of the Word of God will afford a fulcrum for his power.

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THERE IS A SIGNIFICANT PASSAGE in Mark's account of the choice of the twelve apostles: "He appointed twelve that they might be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach." Here is the true order of things; first to be with Him and then to go forth to preach. We can, if we will, provide the conditions, which with God's blessing will make for greater harvests. To "live it through" means to continue with Christ and to be His disciples.

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THE MOTTO FOR THE YEAR will mean nothing, if it ends with the year. It does not mean to live through a period, but to live through a purpose and a principle. For our Lord to "live it through" meant the cross. For us to adopt it as the motto of a movement that is to quicken our churches and to flower in evangelism indicates our purpose.



George Pitt Beers

Labor Day

A page of devotional reading suggested for the holiday in September

A Prayer for Labor Day

ALMIGHTY GOD, our Father, we thank Thee that Thou hast given us work to do, that Thou hast not given us a finished world with nothing left in it to be done, but hast made us sharers with Thyself in the wonderful processes of creation. We thank Thee for the health, the happiness, and the achievement that come through work. Help us to see that every one must share in this blessing. Help us, we pray Thee, to see to it that every one has work to do and that every one gets the fruit of his work.

Forgive us that, in our blindness and greed, we have made the conditions of work so hateful and debasing to so many of our fellow men. Help us to understand that joyous work is akin to worship, and that willing idleness is an abomination. May we know, our Father, that Thou art concerned in all our daily vocations, and that we cannot do unjustly with one another during the week and then bring Thee an acceptable offering.

We pray that there may be among all men a fuller realization of the dignity and blessing of work, a quicker readiness to recognize the shame of wasteful idleness, a fiercer hatred against those conditions that thrust idleness upon willing workers, and a more profound conviction that Thou art anxious to be our partner in every relationship of life—Amen.

From *The People's Prayers*.

© God, Who Workest Hitherto

O God, who workest hitherto,
Working in all we see,
Fain would we be and bear and do
As best it pleaseth Thee.

Where'er Thou sendest we will go,
Nor any question ask,
And what Thou biddest we will do
Whatever be the task.

Our skill of hand and strength of limb
Are not our own, but Thine;
We link them to the work of Him
Who made all life divine!

—Thomas W. Freckleton.

Scripture Texts

Six days shalt thou labor, and do all they work; but the seventh day is a sabbath unto Jehovah thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work.—*Deut. 5: 13-14*.

Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.—*Matthew 11:28-30*.

Man goeth forth unto his work and to his labor until the evening.—*Psalms 104:23*.

For the laborer is worthy of his hire.—*Luke 10:7*.

Child Labor in China

FROM the cold, raw winter air of a Shanghai January I went into the almost intolerable humidity of a silk filature. I can close my eyes and see it again—a long, narrow room, down the length of which stretched two rows of tables. On one side sat Chinese women. On the opposite side stood little Chinese girls. In front of each woman and of each child was an open kettle of steaming water. The whole room was full of steam. The women were unwinding the silk from the cocoons floating in the water. The children were keeping a fresh supply soft in the caldrons, stirring them constantly lest they become waterstained. I watched one mite for a long time. Her head came just to my waist. I asked how old she was. The woman opposite her said that she was seven, Chinese count, which means that she was six, or even five, as we measure age.

I asked the owner about wages and hours and age limits. He said the women and children came at 5 in the morning and worked until 7 in the evening. The women received 20 cents and the children 10 cents a day for 14 hours' work, *standing!* I asked him what his age limit for the employment of children was. He said he had none, but that if they were too young they were not much use. The report of the Municipal Commission to study child labor shows that this situation is true. "Generally speaking," says the report, "the child begins its work in the mill or factory as soon as it is of any economic value to the employers."—Margaret E. Burton.

The Stanley Jones Conferences

Another series of 29 conferences conducted by Stanley Jones and other missionaries is scheduled for this fall. If you live in any of the cities listed, you have a great experience ahead of you

IN the opinion of Dr. George W. Truett of Dallas, Texas, "nothing could have come to the South that would have been more timely and valuable than the message and ministry of Stanley Jones." Dr. Truett was referring to a series of conferences held by Dr. Jones and Dr. Sam Higginbottom in 21 Southern and Eastern cities last spring. It is estimated 150,000 people had attended these meetings. In some communities hundreds were turned away.

So great has been the interest and so urgent the demand, that another series like it will be held this fall. It will cover 29 cities in 16 states.

The list follows:

Worcester, Mass.,	Sept. 28-29
Boston, Mass.,	Oct. 1-2
Portland, Maine,	" 3-4
New Haven, Conn.,	" 5-6
Rochester, N. Y.,	" 8-9
Cleveland, Ohio,	" 10-11
Pittsburgh, Penna.,	" 12-13
Detroit, Mich.,	" 15-16
Toledo, Ohio,	" 17-18
Grand Rapids, Mich.,	" 19-20
Cincinnati, Ohio,	" 22-23
Louisville, Ky.,	" 24-25
Columbus, Ohio,	" 26-27
New York City,	Oct. 29-Nov. 3
Chicago, Ill.,	Nov. 5-10
Milwaukee, Wis.,	" 12-13
Des Moines, Iowa,	" 14-15
Sioux City, Iowa,	" 16-17
Omaha, Neb.,	" 19-20
Lincoln, Neb.,	" 21-22
Topeka, Kans.,	" 23-24
Kansas City, Mo.,	" 26-27
Wichita, Kans.,	" 28-29
Oklahoma City, Okla.,	" 30-Dec. 1
St. Louis, Mo.,	Dec. 3-4
Springfield, Ill.,	" 5-6
Indianapolis, Ind.,	" 7-8
Washington, D. C.,	" 10-12
Philadelphia, Pa.	" 13-15

By H. F. LAFHAMME

Dr. E. Stanley Jones will again head the speakers' team. Associated with him will be Miss Lillian L. Picken, social worker and



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E. Stanley Jones

RIGHT
Herman C. E. L.

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E. Stanley Jones



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Herman C. E. Liu

evangelist among the women and girls of India. Christian missions among the Mohammedans could have no better spokesman than President Charles R. Watson, of the American University of Cairo, Egypt. Dr. Watson, a son of missionaries, was born in Cairo. He is an authority on matters pertaining to the Near East.

Three outstanding nationals will interpret their countries' need of missions. Dr. Herman C. E.

Liu of China, since 1928 has been president of the University of Shanghai, formerly Shanghai Baptist College. Dr. Helen Kim, known as the "interpreter of Korea's spiritual ideals," is dean of Ewha College and one of Korea's recognized Christian leaders. Max Yergan, a Negro, chose to work among his own people in South Africa. On July 1st he received the Spingarn Medal for the highest achievement of an American Negro.

Statistics fail to reveal the true worth of these conferences. In one southern city, a woman's Interdenominational Missionary Union, for the first time, had a Negro woman come on to its board of directors. Back came the report, "interracial good will is finding expression among the avowedly Christian groups in this city." As interracial understanding was quickened, so was the missionary work of the various denominations coordinated. "Last two days more nearly epochal than any that have come to Dallas." "Religious interest I never saw surpassed." "It was the greatest thing that Erie has ever had in this line." Such messages tell but a part of the story of the meetings last spring, sponsored by the Foreign Missions Conference of North America.

The opportunity this fall for direct contact with missionaries and national leaders should prove to be a vitalizing influence in the life of the community. The announced purpose is the same as for the spring series, "to cooperate with the local churches and all other Christian agencies in presenting anew our own and the world's need of Christ; the wealth of resources for life in Him, and the call of God and the challenge of the present world situation."

If a conference is scheduled for your city, be sure to be present.

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What a Year!

HOW OUR MISSIONARY AGENCIES EMERGED FROM THE PAST YEAR OF DEPRESSION AND WHAT MEASURES WERE INSTITUTED TO OFFSET ITS BLIGHTING EFFECTS

Unshakable Like Gibraltar

How the integrity of the Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board remained unimpaired throughout the long depression. Every pastor will feel greatly reassured after reading this careful analysis

By ARTHUR M. HARRIS

WITH falling prices of securities, decreased revenue from the churches and a nation-wide bank moratorium in March, the past fiscal year was a hectic one for all denominational boards. The managers of the M. & M. Board had their worries along with the others.

Compared with the other national and state organizations the M. & M. Board is unique in that it is fiduciary in character. It has no missionary or educational program. It is charged with the responsibility for the safe investment of funds, the income from which it must administer for the benefit of those who are serving or have served the denomination.

Some of our ministers, knowing that we have funds aggregating approximately \$20,000,000, have supposed that this is available for distribution.

The fact is that a large part thereof constitutes a reserve or guaranty fund to assure the payment at maturity of our cooperative pension contracts. The income therefrom must be added to the principal. When the officers of this Board, in behalf of the Northern Baptist Convention, affix their signatures to a contract they intend to see that that contract shall be fulfilled to the letter.

As to the "Permanent Fund," only the income can be used. In the matter of trust investments, the past year has been the most tragic of any since the panic of 1929. Believing that some railroad bonds should be revalued in the light of the present financial situation, the Board has materially reduced their book value. On April 30th the total book value of all the assets of the Board amounted to \$19,411,390.17. Since the beginning of the New World Movement the Board has sold a large number of securities at prices above their cost. A large part of the profits received was applied to reducing the

book value of bonds to par in cases where such bonds had been purchased at a premium. The Board also paid \$857,965.47 into the Permanent Fund and the Retiring Pension Guaranty Fund. During this period the amount so transferred has earned interest totalling \$237,937.75, which has been used from year to year in the work of the Board. Furthermore, these profits are producing today, at 5%, an annual income of \$42,898.27.

It has always been the policy of the Board to place all bequests in the Permanent Fund, using only the income therefrom for the work of the Board. Maturing annuity contracts have been similarly handled. Total legacies received to April 30th last amounted to \$307,572.63. Matured annuity contracts totalled \$261,402.61. The combined total of legacies and matured annuities, therefore, upon which the Board is receiving an annual income of over \$28,000 is thus \$568,975.24.

By thus transferring to Permanent Funds, profits from sales of securities, plus all legacies and matured annuities received up to this time, the Board will receive annually an income of over \$70,000. The soundness of this policy is apparent.

Receipts from churches and individuals have fallen off proportionately with those of other co-operating agencies. For the year just closed receipts from these sources were \$197,519.51 less than had been expected. That the reader may realize the handicap due to the steadily declining income from churches and individuals, permit me to state that the total receipts of the M. & M. Board alone for the ten years ending April 30, 1933, have been \$1,013,199 below the estimated requirements as shown in the budgets filed with the Finance Committee of the Convention.

Notwithstanding this terrific drop in denominational giving, the Board is glad to report that *every contractual obligation has been met*. The Board is greatly distressed, however, over the necessity for continuing the Waiting List for membership in the Retiring Pension Fund. It is hoped that many who contemplate making wills or redrawing old wills will make provision therein for helping, through the M. & M. Board, ministers and missionaries who have faithfully served the denomination.

Unless the Board's Permanent Fund is materially increased a Waiting List must continue.

The Storm Around the World

Vivid situations emerge in the stress of an extraordinary year and offer renewed confidence in the future of foreign missions

By P. H. J. LERRIGO

THE past year has presented a combination of conditions which might have been deemed sufficient to put a serious damper upon the work of foreign missions. A few phrases will sum them up: clash of arms between China and Japan; civil war in West China; uneasiness in the Philippines due to the independence proposals; class struggle in India so dramatically pictured in Gandhi's fast; intensification of nationalism in Burma; religious persecution in Belgian Congo; world economic depression with shrinking resources and reduced forces; severe strictures levelled against foreign mission personnel and procedures; home churches engaged in a bitter struggle to keep their heads above water.

OUT OF THE TEMPEST

Nevertheless constructive advance marks this enterprise even in times of extraordinary stress. Out of the storm vivid situations emerge and offer renewed confidence. Evangelism still holds its sway over the hearts of men. Advance among the *Pwo* Karens of Burma brings promise of such a pentecost as has already redeemed the *Sgaw* Karen people. On February 5, 1933, at Inyeyun, an inland village on a crystal river of Burma, 353 *Pwo* Karens were baptized. More than 4,000 people attended the Ao Naga Association in Assam (an attendance almost equal to the total registration at Washington). One out of every four of the Ao Nagas are Christians and 536 were baptized last year. Yet fifteen miles away the headhunters still wait for Christian teaching. In the Moanza section of Belgian Congo 4,000 inquirers were examined. More than a thousand were received for baptism and the remainder continue under teaching. Edwin Brush of Khargpur, Bengal, raises the question whether Gandhi's temple-opening fast will bring satisfaction to the soul of the outcaste Indian. He ventures the prophecy based on his personal experience, that the open door of the Hindu temple will not prove sufficient to stem the tide of the mass movement toward Christ.

The Japan Bureau of Literature Evangelism blazons the message of Christ all over the island empire. Two Christian books sold to the number of 17,000 copies. *The Christian Graphic*, which tells the story of the gospel in pictures, has a monthly circulation of 20,000. A hymn book ranks among the

best hymnals of the world. Already 150,000 have been sold. In the Philippines a remote section has been touched for the first time with the gospel. A high moral standard was found by Rev. S. S. Feldmann among the people who welcomed the gospel because it seemed to belong to them. Rev. M. O. Brininstool of West China writes of new disciples won to Christ and adds: "It means something to them when to do it they have to run the gauntlet of the scorn of friends, the rebuke of family, the renunciation of a much older and better known religion."

It was inevitable that the time should come when the moral and spiritual power of the missionary movement should turn backward to the sending lands in grace and blessing. The time is here. Last year India sent "a mission of fellowship" to England. It included Bishop Azariah of Dornakal, Principal Varki of Alywe College, Ralla Ram, Student Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., and Ma Nyein Tha, a graduate of Judson College and Headmistress of the Morton Lane School at Moulmein. They addressed 250 meetings in England, Ireland, Wales and Scotland. *The London Times* expressed the hope that they might be precursors of visiting Christian leaders from China, Japan, Africa and elsewhere. Northern Baptists will be glad that one of their own was numbered in this fellowship group.

NO FEAR OF SCRUTINY

In a period when every movement of importance comes under serious survey, foreign missions could not hope to escape scrutiny and frank criticism. The pronouncements of the Laymen's Foreign Missions Inquiry, especially the sections of their report given to the daily press, shocked the supporters of missions everywhere. They said what they thought about missionaries, boards, mission methods, ideals and results. We were not accustomed to such plain speaking from the outside, although we had often enough been willing to criticize ourselves. But it is frankly recognized that objective criticism by disinterested parties is a wholesome process. The missionaries have taken it finely. One finds no spirit of resentment among them, but a self-searching desire to face up to the criticisms offered in the spirit in which they are given and an effort to make them the ground for higher achievement. No group of people can profitably attempt to re-write the ground and basis of the missionary task found in the New Testament. But the critical study of this group of earnest Christian men and women has offered practical suggestions to which Boards and missionaries alike will gladly take heed.

PAYING THE COST

Advance through the time of tempest costs something. Reduced budgets permitted the sending of only nine new missionaries in 1932, the smallest number since 1915. It looked as if none might be sent in 1933, but loyal hearts among our laymen have been touched. At the Washington Convention Christian initiative emerged which will probably result in saving us from the shame of adding no new names to the missionary roster in the present year. In the great days of 1891, Dr. John E. Clough called for 25 new families for South India alone and \$50,000 extra for the work. The challenge was met and a new era of achievement in that field began.

The prospect of sending few or no new missionaries abroad this year is not due to missionaries being unwanted, but to financial necessity. Demands pour in from every field. We could use at once 40 new families without any expansion of work. Many of the needs are crucial. Burma asks for an educator in Rangoon, and a pastor for the Judson College church. South China seeks an evangelist and a physician. Other oft-repeated requests are for doctors for the Philippine Islands and East China, and for evangelists in Assam and Congo. It is God's work, however, and He will provide.

One thing stands out in relief: the marvel of the continuance of the work abroad and its crowning with abundant success in a year when the churches at home have been "pressed out of measure and above strength." Only by severe sacrifice on the part of missionaries and native leaders alike has it been possible to keep expenditures within receipts. It is clear also that only by similar sacrifice in the home churches has it been possible for receipts to cover even minimum expenditures. But this has been done and the year closes without debt.

Shadow and Sunshine

Hearing the cry of women and children above the world's jarring voices — financial anxieties — missionary sacrifice — shadow and sunshine, mark the year in the work of the Woman's Society

By MRS. HOWARD WAYNE SMITH

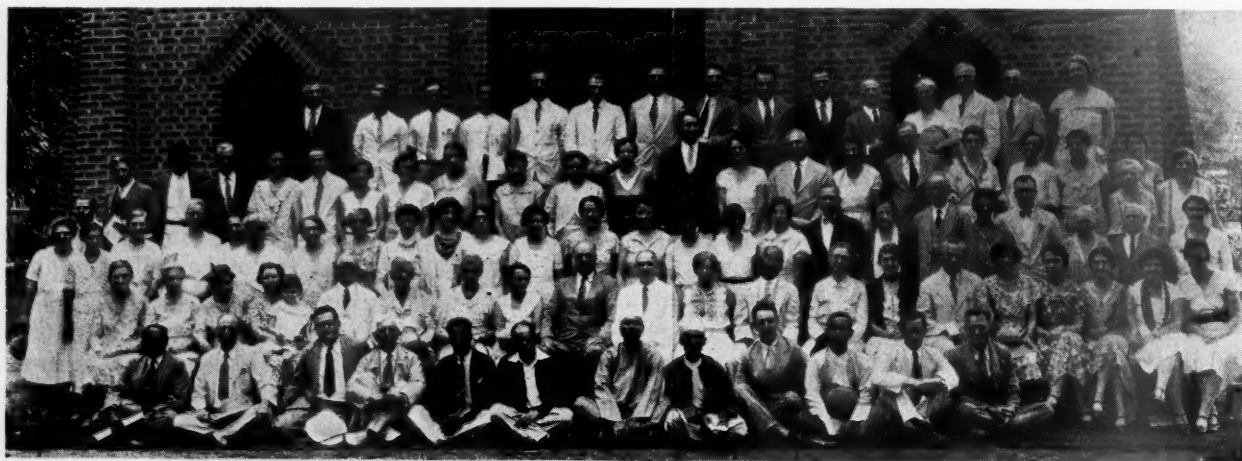
FINANCIAL anxieties, so common everywhere, have intensified the difficulties of the past year. It has not been easy to cope with a shrinkage of \$55,000 in donations from churches. While the shock of this deficiency was somewhat cushioned by favorable rates of exchange, still there had to be drastic cuts everywhere. It was necessary to release some secretaries, keep a number of missionaries at home and reduce salaries.

Too much gratitude cannot be felt toward these devoted Christian workers for their willingness to further sacrifice in order that the work might go on. Missionary salaries are most modest. Yet the total released by them this year amounts to \$10,500. They have set us at home an example of true Christian sacrifice.

Our present list of missionaries numbers only 194, which is a loss of 50. And there have been no recruits sent out, because there was no money with which to send them. We do not like to think of "Lost Battalions." But the churches must awake to the situation or we will have to think not only of lost battalions but also of a lost cause.

Reports from the fields, however, challenge us to advance rather than retreat.

Education on all fields shows steady growth. In China 159 Chinese principals are efficiently leading



Annual Conference of Burma Missionaries in Maymyo, April, 1933. See page 411

our schools. Thus the principle of throwing responsibility on native leaders is exemplified and presages good results.

In India, the Hindus place their girls in our schools that they may receive the moral and spiritual instruction denied them elsewhere.

In Assam, the daughters of former head hunters are going to college. Turning these girls into Christian home builders is distinctly a worth while thing.

In Africa the schools are overcrowded. The government in Congo is subsidizing Roman Catholic schools. Our own schools are centers of evangelism. In a single institution 42 were baptized last year. What is to be done there must be quickly done or the first advantage will be slipping away.

In Bengal-Orissa 70% of the girls in our schools are Christians. In one Japanese school every member of the graduating class was a Christian. So education is a handmaid of evangelism. More than a third of the 93 girls in Judson College, in Burma, are Christians. Seven races are represented in the entering class and all but five students are Christians.

There is great encouragement in the work being done for women in the churches on these far away fields. In Tokyo the World Day of Prayer services were attended by 200 Japanese women. They joined in a stirring appeal for world peace in the face of the jingoistic military government of that Empire. It is of interest to note that the Order of Service used the world over on the Day of Prayer was prepared by Mrs. C. C. Chen of Shanghai.

The Karens of Burma have a flourishing home mission work. Women are sewing as evangelists in Assam. One woman walked for three days, tramping 24 miles to reach 27 villages. This is another example to car-riding America.

Stewardship of goods and money is taken seriously by these Christians. Those who do not give a tenth, which is frequently measured by hand when rice is the only thing to give, are disciplined by the churches, although the ideal of "cheerful giving" is constantly held before them.

Medical service has been greatly blessed. Its workers never forget that they are commissioned to minister to broken souls as well as broken bodies. Treatment and operations have increased two-fold, three-fold and even six-fold. Africa offers a demonstration of what can be done with the most meagre equipment. A mud house, containing two small rooms, is dispensary, operating theatre, laboratory, sterilizing room, wash room, store room, dental clinic, and office. Here is *multum in parvo*. And the doctor writes: "despite the lack of equipment I am desperately happy." (See also page 428.)

These glimpses indicate what the gospel of Christ can do. Above the jarring voices of the world the Society has heard constantly the cry of the needy women and children of the other lands for the way of salvation. Blending with it, even dominating it, has been the clarion command of the Master—"Go ye." So it has been a year of mingled shadow and sunshine. The shadows have served to emphasize the glory of His leading. Latent strength has been developed under the guidance of His Spirit.

Education in Depression

Special service abroad — helping schools at home — strengthening the religious life of the campus — fostering an increased interest in missions — other activities in a noteworthy year in Baptist education

By WILLIAM A. HILL

THE Board of Education had one of its most active years in the midst of most trying situations. Yet the record of work is noteworthy.

At the request of the Foreign Mission Societies, the Board released Dr. F. W. Padelford, its Executive Secretary, to make a study of education in Burma, Assam and South India. Five months were given to this study. A year ago Dr. Padelford went on a similar mission to Japan. He has thus rendered a service to our foreign mission cause for two years in succession.

During the year Dr. G. R. Baker visited practically all of our Baptist schools and colleges from the Atlantic to the Pacific. This is a service not merely of observation, but as an aid to the administration of the schools, and for the stimulation of one of the Board's most important enterprises, the ministry to Baptist students by 31 university pastors.

The year witnessed such important events as the dedication in October of the new plant of the Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, one of the best groups of educational buildings in this country. Two Baptist schools in West Virginia, Alderson and Broadus, were merged into one school to be known as Alderson-Broadus College, located at Philippi.

The Board introduced a new method of studying the religious life of colleges by means of faculty conferences. Such conferences were held at Colby, Denison and Kalamazoo, and the results were so satisfactory that the plan will be greatly extended. According to the testimony of the schools, the religious interest of these institutions and the special interest of the faculties have been greatly quickened.

What has been the effect of the depression on school attendance? A quotation from Dr. Padelord's report answers the question:

The United States Director of Education has reported, as a result of his canvass of the situation, that the attendance at the American colleges has fallen about 7 per cent. A study of colleges of Pennsylvania reveals that in that State the attendance has fallen 7½ per cent. We gathered the data ourselves from our own schools and were gratified to find that the attendance in 17 of our colleges reporting has fallen only 2 per cent.

The figures from our whole group of schools are most interesting. They have reported attendance:

	1931-32	1932-33
17 Colleges	10,649	10,446
6 Junior Colleges	1,507	1,422
11 Academies	1,784	1,671
9 Theological Seminaries ...	1,069	1,138
3 Training Schools	184	142
	<hr/> 15,193	<hr/> 14,819

This indicates a total loss of only 374 students, or 2.4 per cent. Seven colleges, two junior colleges, and two academies report an increased attendance. The most surprising fact is the reported increase in the number of students in the theological schools. Every school but two reports an increase.

It is often said that this is likely to happen in a period of depression, but it is difficult to explain.

A recent study made by Mr. A. C. Marts, of New York, points out that "during the past three years one out of every twenty-two business and industrial concerns went into bankruptcy and one out of every six banks closed. But only one out of every forty four-year colleges has been closed up because of finances; one of every forty-five hospitals, and one in every 2,344 churches has been foreclosed. (See MISSIONS for May 1933, page 284.)

One of the original duties assigned the Board was to foster denominational institutions. During these 20 years student registrations at Baptist schools has increased from less than 20,000 to more than 37,000. In other words, it has nearly doubled. The value of the properties has increased from \$28,000,000 to more than \$82,000,000. The most remarkable development has been in the endowments which increased from \$36,000,000 to \$127,000,000.

In the work of the Department of Missionary Education the most noteworthy fact is an increased interest in missions. Contrary to a wide-spread opinion that the depression has caused a slowing-up of religious and missionary interest, quite the reverse is true. Gifts of money have largely decreased during the past few years. This is serious,

but it would be more serious if there were corresponding decrease in interest.

The Laymen's Inquiry Report has stimulated interest and fresh study of the missionary enterprise. Such a study is now being made by all Christian missionary organizations. It will be intensive in character and when completed it will constitute the real report on which the future work in missions will be based.

Note—A detailed summary of the activities of the Department of Missionary Education appears on page 435.—Ed.

The New Century Moves On

Sharing poverty — heartening spiritual gains — effective field changes — and a record evangelistic ingathering mark the first year in the Home Mission Society's second century of service

By COE HAYNE

THE 101st year of the American Baptist Home Mission Society has been marked by heartening spiritual gains under the ministry of devoted missionaries. The courageous faith of men and women is reflected in all departments of the enterprise. There is uplift in the message from churches scattered throughout the wide domain of home mission territory. Amid untold hardships in nearly every community where missionaries must depend upon local contributions for a portion of their support, the people are not turning from their churches. Instead they are sharing with their pastors the products of farm, factory and shop partially to make up deficiencies in salary payments. Pastors in turn are sharing with their people. The response from missionaries in the United States as well as in all Latin-American fields in making budget reductions, has previously shown their devotion to the cause of Christ. They have faced uncomplainingly the sacrifices necessary to maintain the work on their fields.

The spiritual gains have been heartening. The reported baptisms in home mission fields totaling 5,206, do not tell the full story of faithful ministries in neglected city areas, in lonely, remote regions, and in the mission schools for the underprivileged people of the United States and Latin-America. We may rejoice in the statistical progress; yet the full results cannot be discerned by physical eyes.

While the foreign populations in great cities have created a new missionary frontier, vast rural areas

are suffering spiritually because of isolation, inadequate organization and leadership. In union there is strength. So the combined administration in the three states—Idaho, Montana, and Utah—makes it possible to plan the work in the Mormon area as a unit. The combination of Northern California and Nevada had made available for the latter state the spiritual resources of the former.

Cuba, a one-crop country, has been in financial distress for a long time because of the prostration of the sugar industry. Churches find it difficult to provide even a portion of the salaries for their pastors. Yet with courageous faith the missionaries have shared the burdens of the people and the churches record their largest number of baptisms. Puerto Rico also reports progress under adverse conditions. The offerings of Cuban and Puerto Rican churches of food, clothing and money for those who suffered by reason of hurricanes were generous and sacrificial in the extreme. The mission in Haiti reports a year of great evangelistic activity. The outreach of the churches in Central America through the development of leadership in the lay membership continues. The special meetings held in the churches by Sr. Ernesto Barocio, the ministry to Indians in isolated villages necessitating long trips on horseback in the mountains by Doctors Meadows and Dawson and



Open Air Dentistry in Mexico. Dr. F. L. Meadows removes a painful tooth from a boy in Oaxaca

their Mexican missionary associates, and the opening of a health center by Dr. Ota Walters in an Indian town are features of the year's work in Mexico. Baptisms reported by the churches in Latin-American fields, totaling 1,809, are the largest in the history of the Society.

Churches in Indian fields in the United States report substantial gains in membership and promising leaders are emerging. Several graduates of Bacone who have been engaged as teachers in Indian rural communities have been highly commended by the Oklahoma Department of Education. There are 400 Indian children in a single county in Oklahoma without school facilities.

The daily vacation Bible school has become a part of the standard program in all home mission churches. It has been especially helpful in the foreign-speaking groups. Some schools have been very large, requiring a well-organized staff of helpers. In every instance the pastor gave his full measure of time and interest. New families were reached, the love of the people for their church increased and new leadership developed in the foreign groups.

The Sacramento Japanese Center is now housed in beautiful and adequate buildings. In Buffalo the Virginia Street Center, merged with Emmanuel Church, is now called the Emmanuel Baptist Church and Christian Center. Rev. and Mrs. Ray N. McCann have been called to direct this promising work. In Detroit plans have been perfected for taking over a large, abandoned church to house a Negro Center. In Tucson, Ariz., work has been started on the Christian Center Chapel for Mexicans. Miss Helen R. Yost has been placed on this field as missionary. These two facts give promise of an abundant harvest in years to come.

The Society has outstanding 229 loans aggregating \$768,091.29, upon which interest is being paid. During the year 28 buildings were in process of construction. The Department of Building Counsel furnished preliminary drawings.

Clouds with Silver Linings

Dividing two salaries among three people — gospel opportunities unlimited — fruitage of missionary work everywhere, mark a trying year for the Woman's Home Mission Society

By MRS. ORRIN R. JUDD

IT HAS been a year of prolonged economic distress. The necessity for retrenchment which during the previous year had resulted in the withdrawal of 25 missionaries, demanded further curtailment equivalent to the salaries of 40 missionaries. That less than 40 were actually withdrawn is due to the devotion of the missionaries themselves and of the officers and staff at headquarters, who made sub-

stantial gifts. Reductions in salary beyond those suggested by the Board were voluntarily made by missionaries. They wrote "Cut me another 10%." When faced with the loss of one of a group they said, "Send us two salaries and we will divide them among three." This was high-hearted courage in meeting a challenging need.

What does this reduction of income signify in terms of service? The Society was obliged to withdraw from the Chinese work in Portland, Ore., from Japanese kindergartens in Los Angeles, and from the Mexican field at Tucson, Ariz., and to drop the salary of the missionary among the Chinese in San Francisco. Work among Negroes, which formerly included cooperation in more than a score of schools, is now limited to missionaries at two points, and cooperation in only four schools. The entire educational program now includes only five mission schools and cooperation in the support of seven others.

Turning from these discouragements to field service in mission stations, schools, kindergartens, day nurseries, clinics, hospitals and Christian centers, silver linings appear in the clouds. Larger numbers seek the missionary and the message. More children attend the Daily Vacation Bible School than ever before. There is unlimited opportunity to tell the gospel story. Many who came seeking material aid find also a new outlook on life and a spiritual quickening. Christians are reported of entire families of four or five members. The accessions to the church at Stewart, Nev., numbered 52 from among Indian boys and girls. From the ministry of the Evelyn Briggs Cranston Memorial Hospital in Managua, Central America, 63 professions of faith resulted. The church rejoiced in 85 additions. "The Word of God is not bound," is the glad report.

There are many triumphs in Latin-American fields. In El Salvador, where Protestants were persecuted as being responsible for communistic uprisings, public officials now recognize in the evangelicals a power for good. Christian schools are breaking down barriers. From the clinic a loving ministry is carried into homes by the nurse, who is affectionately recognized as "The Senorita who cares." One of the young women graduated from the school in Puebla, Mexico, a year ago. She has since taught in one of the Indian towns, and has given such satisfactory service that the mayor has asked whether the school can supply another teacher as well prepared.

The Christian Americanization department sounds a clear note of joy and thanksgiving. It is opening the door into a wide program. The number of volunteers steadily increases. There is fruitage. A single worker tells of 18 who have come

to know and accept Christ during the year because of the love of a Christian friend.

The Baptist Missionary Training School records a peak enrolment of 74 this year. In one month a thousand contacts were made among the Negroes in the community. The spirit of evangelism has borne fruit in the organization of three gospel teams.

On the Pacific coast the Society cooperates with the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School, which serves the field west of the Rockies. That among its regular students are enrolled 27 women, with 30 others taking special courses, proves that this school meets a definite need.

Even a swift glimpse of the year discloses such fruitage and reward of service, such evidence of divine blessings, that with hearts overflowing with gratitude and joy we set our milestone and mark it "Ebenezer" or "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."



Four girls from the Sunday school in the Chinese mission in San Francisco. Owing to the financial situation the salary of the missionary here had to be discontinued

Losses and Gains

The Publication Society promotes its personnel — notes business improvement — starts an education caravan — records splendid service by colporters — and appeals for parental cooperation

By OWEN C. BROWN

DURING the past year the Publication Society suffered two great losses by death. Dr. Samuel G. Neil, on September 8, 1932, and Dr. William H. Main on January 4, 1933. These men had been capable and beloved leaders in our denomina-

tion for many years. Their going is keenly felt by us all.

To fill these vacancies the Society followed the policy of promoting members of the staff. Rev. John C. Killian, field representative, is now Secretary of the Colporter Department. Dr. Joseph E. Sagebeer served efficiently as Executive Secretary, *ad interim*, until May 1, when Owen C. Brown, Secretary of Christian Education and Editor-in-Chief of Sunday School Publications, became Executive Secretary. Rev. John W. Elliott was appointed Secretary of Christian Education and Rev. Miles W. Smith, Editor-in-Chief of Sunday School Publications.

Finances. For 18 months the Society had a steadily decreasing volume of business and a decrease in our income from invested funds. Reductions in salaries and other items of expense maintained a balanced budget with all bills paid to date. Business for May, 1933, showed a small increase over May, 1932, which is a real sign of encouragement.

Mission Work. Through the year in out-of-the-way places and among unchurched people, 54 colporter and chapel car missionaries have been at work. More than 121,000 homes have been visited and 4,891 conversions are reported. These workers distributed 35,313 Bibles, Testaments, and books, besides tens of thousands of Christian tracts. They have organized 66 Sunday schools out of which have grown six churches. The Home Mission Society cooperates in this work.

Christian Teaching. Our entire program has to do with Christian teaching in the home and the local church. From the very beginning our colporters in unchurched areas were led to organize groups for Bible study. These grew into Sunday schools and later into churches. This is the history of a vast majority of Baptist churches, not only in the United States but in Mexico, Cuba, and Puerto Rico. In time the Publication Society had Sunday school missionaries supervising this work in practically every state of the Northern Baptist Convention. Today they are known as Directors of Christian Education. State Conventions and City Mission Boards cooperate. To this work 40 directors in the states and sixteen people at headquarters give their entire time, while a great host of volunteers give part time. About 200,000 officers and teachers serve in church schools.

The Christian Education Caravan. During the past year a new phase of work was launched, known

as the Christian Education Caravan. Four leaders from headquarters form a team to present Children's Work, Young People's Work, Adult Work, and general organization and leadership. They carry 35 large, artistic posters to present this work and display 124 periodicals and 75 leaflets dealing with the entire program of Christian education. The team works by states, giving one or two weeks to each state, holding conferences in each association or larger area. So far the Caravan has toured Indiana, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Long Island. Because of its enthusiastic reception, the plan will be continued in the hope that the Caravan may cover at least three or four states each year.

Leadership Training. During the year 40 summer assemblies were conducted, with 505 teachers and 8,417 students. Many community training schools were held and an increasing number of churches conducted their own training classes. More than 40,000 church school workers were in training classes and 19,413 International standard credits were issued. Church classes and home study students earned 6,911 of these credits.

Week-Day and Vacation Church Schools. The year recorded 2,056 Vacation Church Schools, of which 113 were on Baptist mission fields outside of the United States. In preparation for these schools, 117 training conferences were conducted. More than 200,000 boys and girls were reached and 748 decisions for Christ were reported.

Week-Day Schools are of slower growth and encounter more difficulties. Last year New York and Minnesota had the largest number, but several cities in Ohio reached 100% of the public school enrolment for Week-Day Church Schools.

Parental Cooperation. Home cooperation in Christian education is one of the greatest needs of the present day. Every Christian leader should seek it with persistent and intelligent earnestness. The Department of Sunday School Publications has just issued 24 four-page leaflets entitled "A Message to Parents," which cover all the Keystone Graded Lessons for the Primary and Junior years, from the sixth to the twelfth year. These leaflets issued quarterly at 2 cents apiece give the title of every lesson, the aim of the lesson, and what the parent can do to help through the week. The teacher should take one of these leaflets to each parent at the beginning of each quarter and make it the basis of teacher-parent cooperation.



BOOK • REVIEWS

The Finality of Jesus Christ

By ROBERT E. SPEER

The L. P. Stone Lectures at Princeton Theological Seminary and the Gay Lectures of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 1932-1933

A REVIEW BY HOWARD B. GROSE

IT IS positively refreshing in these days of doubt to keep company with a man who believes something and believes it intensely. Dr. Speer is that type of man, and in this magnum opus he has massed the facts and arguments which buttress his life beliefs.

Dr. Speer states his position unmistakably in the opening sentences of the preface as follows:

It is not enough to say that the central thing in Christianity is Christ. Christ is not only the centre. He is also the beginning and the end. He is all in all. . . . To the thought of the early Church Jesus Christ was the Son of God, the full and final revelation of the Father, the One Lord and Saviour. And He was also the most real life of that early Church, a power of joy and purity and love, the bond of a new fellowship, the head of a new society, the Light of a new day. . . . This book is an attempt to set Him forth afresh as the early Church knew Him and as He has been known and made known by the men who throughout the centuries have carried forward the primitive and authentic tradition. . . . If there were any words that one could use or any mode of approach to this one supreme issue which would more highly exalt Jesus Christ or make more clear and vivid the faith that He is God and the Son of God, not to be classified in any human category, and the One Saviour from sin and the One Answer to all the need of the world, the writer would use those words and pursue that approach. To us, Jesus Christ did not come to found a religion. He came to be the Life and Light and Lord of man. The Christianity which truly represents Him is not a religion. It is not a human search for God or quest for truth. It is the supernatural,

self-revelation of God Himself, opening all truth to the faith and obedience of man. . . . All the questions of men are answered in Christ. All the strivings of men are fulfilled in Him. All other lords must give way to the One Lord, because He is the Way and the Truth and the Life. If at any time Christianity is spoken of in these chapters as though it were a religion to be compared with other religions, that has been only concession to

common forms of speech. Christianity, in its original and authentic form, is not to be thus classified. It is incommensurable and alone, like Christ, who is the First and the Last of it and of all things, the Only One.

The five lectures which fill the solid volume of 386 pages are simply the enlargement and exposition of this thesis. You may not accept all of the author's views or positions but no reader can mistake his meaning. And those who know Dr. Speer, who have memories of his persuasive voice and delightful personality, will realize with what charm, backed by the power of a consistent character maintained in public life for more than forty years, he impressed his hearers, most of whom were to go out as preachers of the gospel.

The lectures deal at length with the Church's conception of Christ in the first two centuries; the attitude of primitive Christianity toward non-Christian religions; the view of Christ and of non-Christian religions which generated and sustained the expansion of Christianity. They ask, can we hold the primitive view of Christ? and What view, then, shall we take today of non-Christian religions? They cover in detail the relevant and vital issues in the current discussion of foreign missions, treating controversial points frankly and fervently, but with the fairness and courtesy characteristic of a leader who has won and held the affection and esteem of Christian people the world around. The reader will realize the extensive amount of reading, research and study involved in the preparation of these lectures; and he will not fail to appreciate the culture and deep sincerity of the Christian companionship that has been his in the reading. (Revell; \$3.)

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The Never Failing Light, by James H. Franklin, is a book of special interest to Baptists both because its author is so well known and because it is the major study book of the Missionary Education Movement for the current year. Dr. Franklin has written so much for MISSIONS for many years and from many lands that our readers need no reminder that he is always an interesting writer, with a personal touch that gives a sense of comradeship. This volume gives the mature conclusions he has reached as the outcome of his years of experience as a secretary of our Foreign Mission Board, and his personal association with missionary movements and attendance at world conferences. No man is better qualified to write on the subject he has chosen. In the preface he states as his purpose:

To a considerable extent this book is based on the author's personal observations in various lands. These experiences have convinced him of the steadily growing power of Christ in the life of the world despite the frequent failure of many organizations and institutions which take his name. The book is based also on a conviction that if we in America would commend Christ more effectively to the peoples of the Orient and Africa we must exhibit more fully in our own life the power of Christ and His cross.

On this basis Dr. Franklin has pictured present conditions not only in foreign lands but in our own, stating strongly his convictions in regard to the necessity of applying the principles of the Sermon on the Mount to the affairs of our time. It is a book that will stimulate thought and awaken desire to find more reality in the religion that centers in



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In the Mission Fields of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society

Reaching the Caste People in India

As I ride around among the villages in my traveling coach, which takes an hour and a half to go four miles, I am impressed with the way the caste people, especially the women, are showing more interest than ever before in Christianity. In one hamlet recently several caste people lingered on the outskirts of the crowd, and I was particularly struck by the eager expression on the face of one woman. As we finished prayer she came up and said urgently, "*Amma*, I want you to tell me more about the God you were just talking about, and make it all plain to me."

How earnestly I prayed for divine guidance as I tried simply to tell her the story. When I had finished, rising with a deep sigh she said, "Your God is great and beautiful. I would like to take Him as my God, too, but what can I do? I have a husband who does not feel and think as I do, but I will do one thing. I will never more worship idols, and I will pray only to your God."

In another village, where we were examining candidates for baptism, several Hindu caste people were listening to our questions. A young woman came to me at the end of the service and asked to speak to me. I took her into my tent. "I can read," she said, "and I know a little about Christianity. I have listened to all the questions you have been asking and I want to know more about what it means to be a Christian."

After I had talked to her a while she turned to the other women who had crowded into the tent and



Palepaty Francesamma, the only living member of the first class to enter the Girls' School in Ongole in 1867, 65 years ago. She attended the Old Students' Day exercises in April 1932

said, "It is listening to talks like these that will make us better women, but when we get together we prefer to gossip and talk scandal."

I handed her a few tracts and she said earnestly, "When you come again I will tell you what is in them for I shall read them very carefully." Then again she turned to the other women and said with conviction, "Christianity is the only true religion. I believe in it. I will never worship idols again."

Many of the women agreed with her, but said, "What can we do? We are only women and our husbands would not let us worship the new way." Do you wonder that we are praying that these earnest seekers may have the courage and the faith to find God?—*Sarah Kelly, Ongole, South India.*

A Garo Girl Pioneer

It was not so many years ago that the people of the Garo Hills were a race of savages with no written language. Now there are 21 mother churches and over 200 branch churches, with the Garos themselves assuming a great deal of responsibility for educating and evangelizing their own people. On their own initiative they opened a high school this year. Of the eleven girls who are finishing our school the majority are therefore hoping to enter high school.

And now this year we have our second Garo girl to enter college. How proud we are of her! She is beginning her Liberal Arts course in Cotton College at Gauhati and living at Satri Bari. Family influence has probably counted, for she is the granddaughter of Tangkau, who was partly educated in the United States and was for many years an evangelist in our hills.—*Fern Rold and Charlotte Wright, Tura, Assam.*

Our Newest Doctor in Congo

I have been here only a few months, but how the time has flown! There is so much to do and to learn. Two hours a day are spent on language study and the

rest of the day I practice what I have learned in the dispensary.

I must admit I often wish we had better equipment and buildings. Our little two-room building, which does for dispensary, operating room, laboratory, pharmacy, sterilizing room, wash room, store room, dental room, minor surgery and office, is made of mud and whitewashed inside. Then there are two extremely leaky grass huts for housing patients, and another grass house for isolation cases. There is next to nothing by way of equipment and the barest necessity by way of drugs. What should we do without those blessed white cross supplies!

"Owing to the depression," which is felt here just as much as in America, the government is not giving me the usual subsidy for equipment and medicines, but they will give me a few drugs and some sleeping sickness medicine. That, with my small quarterly medical appropriation, will have to carry me through. The people in this section are unbelievably poor and cannot pay even what the medicines cost.

Despite these handicaps, there is so much to do that I am very, very happy. There is a huge ter-

ritory, extending fourteen days' journey to the south and seven days to the north, in which I am the only doctor. This is a marvelous opportunity and I believe that God has it in His plan that we shall eventually have here a real hospital and all that goes with it. I am so eager to learn to speak the language so that I can take trips into my territory and thus gain the confidence of the people.

There is a fund of \$400 for a new building. While we are waiting for our permit, I am praying that the fund may grow so that a more complete, permanent hospital may be built. In the meantime my immediate need is for equipment and drugs.—*Dorothea Witt, M.D., Moanza sur Inzia, Congo Belge.*

When Your Heart Aches

These are the days when we test boys and girls for boarding school. Over 90 girls appear with a burning desire to stay for school. And, oh, what a pity that we must turn away more than 30! A still larger number of boys come, and of them we try to choose 100. Half of these are students of last year. It is a joy to welcome them back. We love, also, to receive new

pupils, full of enthusiasm. But how one's heart does ache when one must say, "We cannot take any more boys and girls. We have not enough money. Our appropriations have been cut."

"But, Mama, you must take Ntonsi. He is my boy."

"Have mercy upon our district. We have no teachers with much knowledge. Do train one of our boys, so that he may be able to help us in the years to come."

"You cannot take these girls? But they were chosen by our church. They all can read well. Why can you not take them? We must have trained women to help us. Think what they will do for our women!"

And so the pleading continues. Pastors and teachers, fathers and mothers, all try their hand at urging us to open our arms to their children. But here at Sona Bata we have 32 church districts. Each one must have its share of students. We must be fair to all. This church has more girls in school than the others. What shall we do? Shall we send a few of the old girls home, to leave place for new ones?

"No, Mama," they cry, "do not send us away. If we go, now, we can never come back again."

And as they sit on the floor in native fashion, sobbing and heart-broken, we suffer. We regret our decision and say: "Stay, I cannot send you away. My heart is too touched by your grief."—*Vendla Anderson, Sona Bata, Africa.*

Bon Voyage!

Bon Voyage to Miss Janet McKay, who sailed August 11th on the *President Hoover* from San Francisco on a visit to the mission fields of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society. The trip is made without expense to the Board. She will visit India, China, Japan and the Philippine Islands.



Belgian Congo Bible Women on their way to the villages to hold services

TIDINGS



FROM THE FIELDS

She Hid Her Bible in a Mattress

Millie, a young Italian woman, went home from the Christian Center one day happy in the possession of a new Bible. Her husband at once threw it into the fire and forbade her to come to the Center again, or to attend our church. But Millie returned and asked for another Bible. She made a pocket for it in her mattress. She read the Bible faithfully and prayed for her husband. Her prayers have been answered, for today he not only permits her to attend church but sends their children to the Sunday school and occasionally attends services himself. The Master is leading him as he reads from the very Bible that his wife had to hide.

The many new families reached by the Italian Baptist Church of Philadelphia during the past few years have brought a great need for Bibles. Once they have the Scriptures in their hands, how the people value and search these precious volumes.—*Ethel Downs-brough.*

An "All American" Club for Indian Boys

The first meeting of our newly organized boys' club at Lodge Grass was a pancake supper. I never saw hot-cakes and sausage disappear so rapidly! Now, after about eight months, the club meets regularly once a week for games, a short devotional service, and a business meeting. They have elected officers, who take charge of the meetings. William Backbone, the president, required

MODERN YOUTH AND THE GOSPEL

coaching in his duties but is now doing very well. For the devotional service the boys take turns choosing the hymns, and their favorites are "Yield not to temptation," and "Jesus loves me." They have selected the appropriate name "All Americans" for their club, and the Thunder Bird as their symbol. We hope in another year to perfect the organization and to do a more constructive piece of work in training them for Christian citizenship.—*Clara E. Olds, Lodge Grass, Mont.*

Bible Story Hour at Sweetwater Coal Camp

The children at Sweetwater, Wyoming, a coal camp about seven miles from Rock Springs, meet every Wednesday after-school in the schoolhouse. I have never known a group as eager to learn about the Bible as these children are. The meetings last about an hour and a half. At the end of our lesson period we always have a circle of prayer. I wish you could hear some of the prayers offered. Seldom are they petitions for the children themselves; the themes are always thanksgiving and petitions for missionaries about whom they have heard, and other people about whom we have been thinking especially during the lesson. Miss Hughes started a wonderful work out there. I pray that I may be able to continue it.—*Frances Stone, Rock Springs, Wyoming.*

Gospel Bonfires in Mexico

Four of our students from Colegio Howard, Puebla, this year attended the interdenominational camp for leadership training, which is similar to a summer assembly. The camp site is located between Puebla and Mexico City, a beautiful spot among the pines. Groups meet on the hillsides for study. The day I visited the camp, Professor Baex-Camargo, Director of Religious Education, led the young people in a discussion on how they can win others to Christ. Then the class divided into two sections, one in leadership of recreation activities for the first-year girls, and the other in camp leadership for second-year and third-year girls.

In the evening the groups met around a bonfire, and a large number of men and women from a neighboring village, attracted by the singing, came at sundown and stayed until the fire was put out. This created a problem as well as a splendid opportunity to present the gospel message. Professor Camargo changed his talk for several nights in order to serve these people. But it meant that the girls had not received the more intimate talks that would help them in their spiritual growth. Understanding the situation, the girls solved the problem by suggesting: "We'll have two bonfires, the first one as early as possible for the visitors." They worked out a program of songs, and Professor Camargo promised to have a short message for the people. Then the girls gathered extra wood for a sec-

ond bonfire to be built on the other side of the hill, so that they might have their private meeting also. —*Marjorie B. Hall, Colegio Howard, Puebla, Mexico.*

In Fresno's Chinatown

The corner of a busy street in Fresno's Chinatown is the scene of an interesting gathering each Sunday evening. On the night I was present, by the time the baby organ was set up and the hymn-books distributed to the group of Mexican Christians who had assembled, a crowd of at least 100 had gathered. Over the heads of the crowd I could see painted on the wall of a building a brimming mug of beer, and near by gaming tables around which men were gambling. There were, in that crowd, men of many nationalities and at least three races. Their faces were an interesting study. Near the preacher stood a young man with a constant sneer on his face as he listened. Pinched faces and ragged clothes of others indicated an intimate acquaintance with poverty. Despair and hopelessness were written on the countenances of many. At the same time, back in the upper room of the church a little group was kneeling in prayer for that corner meeting and the church service that was to follow. In that church service I was impressed with several things. There were more men than women, and most of them young men. The earnest, serious attention of the listeners impressed me. Then this interesting thing happened. One man was missed by the collection plate (believe it or not!). When the ushers deposited the plates at the front, he squeezed past the woman who sat between him and the aisle, walked to the front, and deposited his offering in the plate and calmly walked back to his place. That was something new under the sun to me. —*Mildred Cummings.*

Magazine "Hope," Transferred to National Baptist Board

Many years ago our first missionary, Joanna P. Moore, found a great need because of the lack of suitable reading material and Bible lessons. Because of this she organized the Fireside Schools for

Bible study and reading in the home. Out of this grew the publication of the magazine *Hope*, which through the years has been a real inspiration to thousands of families, north and south.

Now the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society feels it advisable to turn the editing and publishing of the magazine over to others, and the National Baptist Publishing Board at Nashville, Tenn., has accepted the responsibility, and *Hope's* present editor, Miss Mae Hunter, will remain in charge. We urge all subscribers to continue to use the magazine and profit by its helpful Bible studies and useful articles. While the Society deeply regrets these changes, it is happy that *Hope* will be under competent leadership.

The Society wishes to express its sincere appreciation of the efficient and consecrated service of Miss Florence Walter and Miss Mae Hunter while in charge of the work of the Fireside School.—*Katherine S. Westfall, Executive Secy.*

Tong Men Have Change of Heart

The Chinese Baptist Mission in Courtland, Cal., has occupied for some years a small room over a "bootleg" store. It became too small for the crowds. The tong men who four years ago attempted to drive the missionary from the town, have in some miraculous way had a change of heart. For a very low rental they have allowed her to use their tong house. It is large, airy, cool, well-furnished, and has rooms for clubs. Miss Joice writes: "The complete Chinese community participated in the first program in our new building where we have been for six weeks. The interest continues to grow, and the average attendance to increase, with children from the ranches as well as the town folk now attending."



Top: Students at Colegio Howard in Puebla, Mexico, getting things clean for the opening of school

Bottom: Millie and her most precious treasure. See first column on the preceding page

RESOLUTIONS

Will they be supported by action?

THE following resolutions were adopted by the Washington Convention. In view of space limitations, introductory preambles are omitted. The complete report can be had on application.

APPRECIATION

The delegates of the Northern Baptist Convention are glad to express their high appreciation of the hearty hospitality of the Baptists and other citizens of Washington and environs. These hosts have anticipated and provided for every need and comfort; they have made the delegates feel the spirit of hospitality by their many courtesies and thoughtfulness on every hand. The Convention extends its thanks to all persons and agencies contributing to the pleasure of the sessions, to the railroads for special privileges, and to the press for publicity.

Especially do we wish to record our thanks for the provision for the host of Baptists who were in this city during the period of the joint sessions of the Southern and Northern Conventions.

EVANGELISM

Resolved, that we recommend that the Northern Baptist Convention (1) make Evangelism its major objective for this year, and (2) we request a coordinated effort of the co-operative agencies of the entire convention to enlist every local church in the convention program of Evangelism.

DENOMINATIONAL PAPERS

Resolved, that, recognizing the need of a better informed constituency, we recommend that pastors and churches urge their people to support and read our denominational papers, "Missions," "The Watchman-Examiner," "The Baptist World," and the state papers.

STATE DELEGATIONS

Resolved, and directed, that the Program Committee for next year provide sufficient time for unhurried meetings of the State delegations, and arrange such places for them to meet as will make orderly and satisfactory meetings possible.

Resolved, that we deplore the moral collapse witnessed in this generation and the exploitation of personality which persists in sweat shops, coal fields and in many industrial centers where precedence is given to capital over human worth and rights as taught by Jesus.

Resolved, that we call the churches of the Northern Baptist Convention to their proper task of influencing the social and economic trends of our time with the Christian ideals of respect for personality and the service motive for living. To this end we urge upon the churches the study of the social implications and applications of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Further, we insist upon the responsibility of all our people to act as Christians in all social and economic relations. As guiding principles to this end we commend the ideal suggested by the Department of the Church and Social Service of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. *The resolutions include the 17 points in the Federal Council Program.*

PROHIBITION

Resolved, that fully recognizing the social, economic, political and moral basis for a uniform national policy for the complete suppression of the liquor traffic, to which the Northern Baptist Convention is irrevocably committed as a body, we base our continued and unrelenting hostility to its reinstatement, in whole or in part, in any form, under any name on strictly moral and Christian grounds.

Resolved, that we urge the leaders in our churches and our Baptist forces generally to do all in their power directly and through every agency possible to prevent the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, and preserve the gains under federal control.

Resolved, that we urge the constituency in our churches to give immediate attention to a systematic plan of instruction as to the harmful effects of alcohol as a beverage, through sermons, temperance stories, programs, pictures, posters, etc., in our Sunday schools, young people's societies and church services generally, in every effective manner possible. The battle is on. We dare not let up in this contest with the forces of corruption and evil.

MOTION PICTURES

Resolved, that as a Convention we urge upon Congress a more determined effort for Federal regulation of the industry, and at the source of production, and over exportation, in order to eliminate the evil that now baffles the efforts of citizens and organizations for securing clean pictures, and, furthermore, be it

Resolved, that we urge upon parents a more careful inquiry and earnest consideration of what their children are getting in picture shows; and upon every citizen an active interest in securing better moral protection for our children and the general public; and, furthermore be it

Resolved, that we commend the Federal Council of Churches, boards of censorship, and other agencies for their work in behalf of better pictures, and urge their earnest perseverance.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Resolved, that we endorse the message of President Franklin D. Roosevelt of May 16, 1933, to 54 nations of the world calling for world cooperation in a program of disarmament, that "the only way to disarm is to disarm." We urge our government to seek every opportunity to extend the influence of the United States toward the goal of disarmament.

We feel that the times demand that our nation become officially a part of the World Court and League of Nations.

WHEREAS, we realize that no nation lives unto itself, and that economic problems are world problems; therefore, be it

Resolved, that we urge our government to seek the solution of the problems of international trade and commerce through international agreements seeking the common good of all.

WHEREAS, we believe that war is wrong, being contrary to the principles of the Prince of Peace; and

WHEREAS, the Kellogg-Briand Peace Pact has outlawed war as a crime; therefore, be it

Resolved, that we oppose compulsory military training in schools.

Resolved, that we urge upon Congress the passage of the resolution before it for the embargo of arms; and

Resolved, that we are convinced that war is wrong in any and all forms as a method of settling international differences.

RACE RELATIONS

We deplore outbreaks of race hatred and discrimination, as seen in our own country, and in the persecution of Jews in Germany, and we call upon all followers of the Son of Man to show forth His Spirit of justice and good will for all.

THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

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ECHOES

From the Washington Convention

Religion is not an attainment but an obtainment.
—*E. Stanley Jones*.

What a man stands for is always interpreted in terms of what a man is.—*J. C. Turner*.

The simple principle of neighborliness could heal all the social and economic troubles of our world.—*Franklin W. Johnson*.

War is the jungle method of settling disputes.—*W. F. Ashbrooke*.

So long as we continue to pray "Give us this day our daily bread," so long must we continue to preach the social gospel.—*A. C. Thomas*.

Christianity is a way; Jesus is *the* way.—*E. Stanley Jones*.

Instead of saying that we should practice what we preach, I say that we must so practice that we dare preach what we practice.—*J. F. Rittenhouse*.

We must either use our Baptist heritage or we will lose it.—*J. C. Turner*.

The world is looking for a convincing demonstration of a real experience of Jesus Christ.—*Theodore F. Adams*.

The cross is the central motive of the gospel of Jesus Christ. It is the place where sin and the love of God meet together.—*E. Stanley Jones*.

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Thousands of people found a glass show case in the booth of the Foreign Mission Societies of absorbing interest. It held the original application for missionary service by Adoniram Judson and Mrs.

Judson. Although the papers are faded with age, the handwriting and the famous signature are still distinct. On the wall above the case was suspended a recent painting of the sailing vessel *Caravan* on which the great missionary first sailed from Boston to Burma 120 years ago. This painting will be displayed in the New York offices of the Foreign Mission Society.

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As in other years, Dr. Austen K. de Blois carried a daily column of interesting comment in the Convention Bulletin. In describing the last joint meeting of Northern and Southern Baptists prior to their separation in 1845, he wrote, "the daily papers have been calling attention to the fact that Tuesday's joint meeting of Northern and Southern Baptists is the first of its kind since 1845. That eventful gathering of 88 years ago was held in Boston. It was the last meeting of the Triennial Convention. It marked the organization of the American Baptist Missionary Union. A debt of \$40,000 hung over the old Missionary Society, the child of the Triennial Convention. That entire amount was raised before the sessions closed, and the South joined nobly with the North in cancelling that obligation. There were present at that meeting our two greatest missionary leaders: Adoniram Judson, the Apostle to the East, and John Mason Peck, the Apostle to the West. Judson died a few months later, on his way back to Burma."

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In the discussion on the Report of the Executive Committee, after several amendments had been offered and the presiding officer seemed to have lost his way in a maze of parliamentary entanglements, a prominent pastor was overheard to ask another sitting beside him, "Does anybody know where we are at?" Although this happened at the Southern Convention, similar situations have often occurred at Northern Conventions. In parliamentary confusion and free for all discussion, Baptists are Baptists everywhere.

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The United States Government has rigid fire prevention regulations in Washington. In the Exhibit Hall every piece of cloth or bunting used for decorative purposes had to be chemically fireproofed. When the Editor inquired whether the rule was also applicable to the hundreds of flags displayed around the room, it was explained that to chemically fireproof a flag would be an act of flag desecration. So the flags were not fireproofed!

Right: R. C. Hassrick
Below: R. B. Elrod



Left: G. S. Chessum
Below: A. F. Williams



P. E. P.

Do you know what it means?

THIS is the title of a new printed outline of special activities for men's groups. The three initials signify **PRAY, ENLIST, and PERSEVERE.** The pamphlet suggests five special programs as follows:

HUNDRED PER CENT SUNDAY
MEN AND MISSIONS SUNDAY
MEN'S SPECIAL SUNDAY NIGHT
THE SEPARATED PORTION
GO MAKE DISCIPLES

There are also six projects, viz.: Grow Christian Boys, Fellowship of Men, Enlisting Men in Bible Study, Christian Trusteeship, The Missionary Enterprise, and Pioneering.

Copies of P. E. P. will be sent to any address on request to the National Council of Men, 152 Madison Ave., New York City.

Who's Who Among the Vice-Chairmen

Romain C. Hassrick is senior member of the law firm of Hassrick, Stewart, Streeper & Abrahams. In 1931 he was appointed by Gov. Pinchot as Chairman of the Philadelphia Registration Commission. For seven years he was chief of the Bureau of Legal Aid, Department of Welfare. He is a past County Commander of the American Legion, and a member of the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Baptist Convention.

George S. Chessum, former City Boys' Work Secretary for the Y.M.C.A. in San Francisco, is associated with Pierce & Hedrick, Inc., in San Francisco. He was the first Chairman of Men's Work in Northern California. He was formerly Chairman of the National Council and was responsible for some splendid foundational work that contributed much to the success of the present men's movement.

George Earl, M.D., is President of the Northwestern Baptist Hospital Association, operating several hospitals and clinics in the vicinity of St. Paul, Minn.

Robert B. Elrod is President and Manager of the Lincoln Tent & Awning Company of Lincoln, Nebr. He was the first Chairman of the Nebraska Men's Council. Being elected President of the Nebraska Baptist State Convention he has relinquished the leadership of the State Men's Work, but continues as Vice-Chairman.

A. F. Williams. In February 1929, Mr. A. F. Williams disposed of the drygoods business which he had founded in Freeport, Ill., more than a quarter of a century before, and volunteered for work under the National Council. Since that time he has given his entire time during the winter months, serving without compensation. His services have been invaluable to the Council and his influence among the men has been the means of reviving

more than one church and bringing it again to a place of usefulness in the work of the Kingdom.

Men's Doings at Washington

At the annual meeting of the National Council, May 25th, officers were elected for the year 1933-34 as follows: *Chairman*, Wm. Travers Jerome, Jr.; *Vice-Chairmen*, Geo. Earl, Geo. S. Chessum, R. C. Hassrick, R. B. Elrod, A. F. Williams; *Recording Secretary*, L. T. Randolph; *Treasurer*, A. E. Seibert; *Chairman of Finance Committee*, Walter A. Staub; *representing Executive Committee*, W. G. Boyle.

The annual report of the Council was accepted and adopted as the report to the Northern Baptist Convention.

The report of the Finance Committee by Mr. Walter A. Staub, showing total receipts for the year as \$11,079.85, disbursements as \$10,616.65, was accepted. Mr. Staub called attention to the relatively small amount spent by the Council and the unusual result achieved through this expenditure. The practice of the strictest economy and a real sacrifice on the part of the Council workers made this possible. Mr. Staub expressed the opinion that for the amount of

money invested and the returns to the denomination there was nothing else comparable to the men's work.

A budget of \$12,000 for the year 1933-34 was adopted. This is substantially the same figure as the reduced budget for 1932-1933.

A plan was suggested by Mr. Jerome for the recognition of key men in local churches; names to be reported by the pastor to the state chairman of men's work. The state chairman is to forward report to National Council who in turn will give recognition to local key man by forwarding to him a small

button with the inscription "N. B. Key Men." General approval was given the plan as an experiment for one year.

The National Council maintained a booth in the Exhibit Room throughout the period of the Convention which was made the headquarters for Baptist men. The display there of material, programs and methods developed and in use by men's groups throughout the Northern Baptist Convention attracted much attention and made possible the passing on to interested pastors and laymen ideas and suggestions used successfully by other men.

Full Time Director of Every Member Canvass

Rev. R. D. Williamson has been designated as Director of the Every Member Canvass and enters at once upon his duties in that relation. For eight years he has been on the staff of the Board of Missionary Cooperation. He now gives his whole time to this work because of the growing interest in the simultaneous Every Member Canvass. He has assisted many churches in their Canvasses. He will be available to State Convention leaders and will also give time to the promotion of the canvass in large centers.



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THE CHILDREN'S WORLD CRUSADE

The Signs Point Upward

Increased interest in Christian missions reported everywhere in a year of unparalleled depression

By WILLIAM A. HILL

MANY signs point to an increased interest in the cause of Christian missions. During 1932 the Department of Missionary Education completed a survey of 68 theological schools in America to discover how their courses in missions had been changed in the six years since a previous inquiry was made. Astonishing results are at hand. Large percentage increases are shown in the number of professors teaching missions, in the number of required courses in missions, and in the total number of mission courses.

Interesting evidence of steady

activity in missionary education is seen in the large purchases of study books by Baptists. Thirteen denominations purchased \$53,506 worth of study books from the Missionary Education Movement. Baptists, with purchases amounting to \$12,133 or 22.7 per cent. of the total, were the second largest users. They were also second in 1931-1932.

Under the auspices of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, a series of outstanding conferences was planned for 1933. Sixteen have already been held in important centers. During this

fall from 25 to 35 conferences will be held in different cities with supplemental meetings in adjacent localities. Missionary Education has been given a conspicuous place in these conferences.

An extensive program of missionary education in summer conferences and assemblies has just been completed. This provided mission study classes and leaders in 44 Baptist summer assemblies and women's house parties, located in 30 states; 11 girls' camps and W. W. G. house parties; 15 interdenominational schools of missions; 24 boys' camps in 18 states.

Encouraging results are noted in the work of the year. Handicapped by reduced budgets for three successive years and working on a budget further reduced for 1933-34, the following advances are nevertheless recorded:

	1931-32	1932-33
Churches having Mis-		
sionary Committees..	1,619	1,635
Schools of Missions....	557	662
Program Meetings, Ad-		
dresses and Sermons	71,370	73,648
Sunday Schools having		
Missionary Instruction	2,076	2,164
Churches receiving Edu-		
cation Certificates ..	1,819	1,900
Individuals Reading Five		
Books Each	63,283	68,615
Readers	207,324	224,441

It will be noted that *every line shows an increase!*

Two reasons account for such increases in a period of depression. Certain well-established methods in missionary education have become fixed in the churches and are therefore being sustained on their own momentum. The second reason is the patient and uninterrupted promotion by a large army of more than 1,600 volunteer secretaries in the churches.

In hundreds of churches the schools of missions have been continued from year to year. For example, 21 churches have held

schools of missions for 10 consecutive years, 8 for 11 years, 9 for 12 years, and some have been longer than 15 years.

Young people's work has been carried forward vigorously through the World Wide Guild, the Royal Ambassadors and the Children's World Crusade. At the close of the year there were 630 Royal Ambassador chapters, an increase of 66 during the year. Twenty-five boys' camps extending from coast to coast were held during the past summer. Detailed reports of progress in the W. W. G. and the C. W. C. were published in the June issue.

Space forbids reference to many other things in the program of missionary education. We press forward with renewed conviction and assurance that promising days are ahead in the work of Christian missions. Statistical measurements support these convictions. The earnestness of Northern Baptists in this important matter is beyond question.

organize a Junior Chapter in the near future. They have nine squires and one member who has attained the degree of ambassador. Activities have included contributing to the support of an Indian boy, working for the "dry" cause, and taking flowers to sick people. Mr. J. M. Eastep is chief counselor. The accompanying photograph was taken at the first annual rally last May.

The John Mason Peck Chapter

Chapter No. 624 of Catskill, N. Y. has chosen as its Patron Saint, John Mason Peck, since he had very close connections with the First Baptist Church. In the church a tablet bears the following inscription:

In memory of
JOHN MASON PECK
A Pioneer of the Kingdom
that has no frontier
Born at Litchfield, Conn.,
Oct. 31, 1789
Ordained at Catskill, N. Y.,
June 9, 1813
Died at Rock Spring, Ill.,
March 14, 1858
Sent by the Baptists into
Missouri Territory in 1817
He established Christian institutions
in the Mississippi Valley and helped
to found THE AMERICAN BAPTIST
HOME MISSION SOCIETY

ROYAL AMBASSADORS



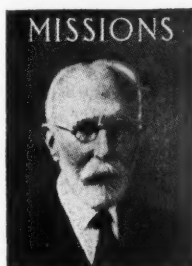
First Homecoming of Royal Ambassadors at the First Baptist Church, Springfield, Ohio, May 12, 1933

Royal Ambassadors in Ohio
One of the most effective chapters in Ohio is the Baptist Church

of Springfield. Meetings have been maintained monthly during the past year. It is planned to

Rev. Clarence E. Brown, pastor of the Catskill Church, and the chief counsellor of the chapter, asked if lettering similar to the above could be shown on the charter. In response to his request, the following lettering appears on the chapter charter:

JOHN MASON PECK
Received into this Church
June 21, 1812
Ordained in this Church,
June 9, 1813
Called to this Church, July 1, 1812
Dismissed to the American Baptist
Church, April 6, 1814



The Editor Emeritus says:

Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest awhile.

Jesus to the Twelve, Mark 6-31

THIS was the Master's call to vacation rest with Him, in the midst of toil.

Freshening the Spirit

This was my experience as I came back to the Royal Ambassador Boys' Camp at Ocean Park, Maine, after an enforced absence last year. For a genuine refreshment of the spirit, a new appreciation of the potentialities and possibilities of American boyhood, commend me to this camp which is fostered by Floyd L. Carr, that indefatigable dean of Baptist boy enterprises. He can smite the rock of depression and cause it to flow forth dollars enough to show a clean balance sheet for the camp this hard year, with an enrolment of over 200 boys for the two periods. And how those boys can sing, under the astonishingly skilful training which their musical director, Rev. Douglas Pierce, gives them. To appreciate or believe the quality of the drill they get you must hear them sing. If as a guest you are honored with the "official,"—which is their name for a handclapping welcome delivered in a peculiar staccato rhythm, you will not forget it. Just to meet these boys and "listen in" at the evening meal was like "shuffling off" a decade.

Honoring a Noble Giver

It was my privilege to have part in the Memorial Service in recognition of the camp's most generous benefactor, Mrs. Sarah E. White, widow of E. M. White and late of Framingham, Mass. It is due to her, indeed, that the camp is now the owner of a large tract of land within easy reach of the ocean, and a location permanently desirable for camp extension and purposes. At the entrance to the extensive athletic field a large boulder bears the name "The E. M. White Athletic Field." This was the gift of his wife, whose one condition in drawing the \$3,000 check which paid for the land was that the field should bear her husband's name. Nor was this all she did to help put the camp on a sound financial basis. Of that another will tell.

Mrs. White was one of the remarkable women of the denomination. Avoiding publicity she was best

known in her home, church and community. A keen and wise business executive, she was a consecrated steward. Having a large income at her disposal, she gave personal consideration to the many interests that appealed to her, and so arranged her gifts by annuities and otherwise that she could exercise a continuing supervision in their administration. She was a thoughtful, intelligent giver, who knew the causes to which she was contributing. Of this, together with a fine estimate of her character, Dr. G. Clifford Cress told us in his address based on an intimate acquaintance.

At the memorial service my contribution was this tribute:

In form more enduring than monument
of marble or bronze,
This good woman, lover of boys,
Benefactress of this Boys' Camp,
Has written her name indelibly
in deeds of benevolence,
Which will cause her memory to be revered
and her name honored so long as the
Royal Ambassador Boys' Camp of Ocean Park
Holds place in history.

A Personal Note

I am glad to learn that Dana M. Albaugh has become associate with Dr. Lerrigo in the Home Department of the Foreign Mission Society. This is good all around. Dr. Lerrigo gets a competent helper, acquainted with the mission fields by training and experience, and Mr. Albaugh returns to the service of the Foreign Mission Board where he manifestly belongs. In so doing he takes the place vacated by Rev. Paul E. Alden, who was transferred from the Candidate Department to the Home Department to succeed Dr. Lippard. He found that desk and office routine did not satisfy his desire for personal contact and so he decided to exchange the secretaryship for the pastorate. The way was opened by a call to the First Church at Franklin, Ind., where Franklin College affords broad opportunity to reach student life. For one, I welcome this choice of the pastorate in a day when the trend has been so strong the other way. No one who knows would choose the pastorate as an easy task; but it is still a vital one, and for the true minister it is the most rewardful in the world.

WORLD WIDE GUILD

To Alma Mater and the Guild

You ask me, What does one do
At eighty-two?
Well, listen in, I'm telling you.
What does one do?
Just tries to be true
To the call of the hour,
By the help of the Power
That has guided his way
From the far yesterday
To the present, and will
Guide him still.
What does one do?
Sometimes tries
To get a life view
Through youth's eyes—
Ever seeing the new
With surprise.
Sees thus the Guild
With service love-filled,
Its candle-lights shining
To banish repining,
Its happy hosts winging
Their praises with singing.
What does one do
At eighty-two?
Looks back o'er many a charm-
ing view
And sees the hand Divine in all.
May you
Have retrospect as fair,
And Friend Divine as true.

Howard B. Grose

"Once a friend always a friend" is true of Dr. Grose and the World Wide Guild. He sent the above verses for our Guild Department in MISSIONS, one more of his special messages to us coming from the rich experience of his 82 years. We do well to ponder his words. On September 5th he will celebrate his 82nd birthday.

What did we do at eighteen?

A very impressive Consecration Service in dialogue has been made available in mimeograph form for 5¢ a copy. It is called "They also serve who only stand and wait"

and was written by Ethel McDanel, one of Ohio's loyal Guilders. Copies may be had at 218.

About thirty Guild delegates had luncheon together at Washington and Dr. Hill was present and spoke to them. They discussed Guild projects, and had a grand and glorious time.

Each State Secretary has received her share of our \$30,000 Guild Friendship Gift and you will hear from her directly or from your Association Secretary. *Suggestions to Leaders* may be obtained either from 152 Madison Ave., New York City, or 218 Lancaster Ave., Buffalo, N. Y. There are some Gift Boxes left from last year which may be had for the asking from New York. They are perfectly good for this year but it is a case of "first come, first served."

Now, we're off for a great year of service. Use our hymn "More Like the Master," till it burns itself into your very souls.

*Faithfully Yours,
Alma J. Nolan*

218 Lancaster Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

Fifteen Years Old

In February the Guild of Fountain Memorial Church, Washington, D. C., celebrated its fifteenth birthday, and it was a *real* celebration! We invited our mothers, and, as an extra honorary guest, Miss Verna Blakely, missionary in Tura, Assam. At the banquet each mother received a yellow rosebud, which she pinned on her daughter, who in turn pinned a full blown red rose on her mother. The program included talks by our pastor and Miss Blakely and two other talks on "What a Daughter Means to a Mother," and "The True Meaning of a Mother to Her Daughter."

First Returns!

The first report from the Guild All-Secretarial Conference, June 24th, comes from Irene Jones, Secretary of Abington Association, Pennsylvania. By way of explanation the Guild secretarial force was asked to join a national hook-up for two hours June 24th, each in her own home, either alone or with some of her leaders, making a real study of her last year's achievements and planning bigger and better things for the coming year. This is the report from Irene Jones:

In compliance with your wishes, I had a Conference at my home Satur-



W. W. G. 15th anniversary banquet, Washington, D. C.



W. W. G. at Vespers, Puerta de Tierra, Puerto Rico

day, June 24th. In one room our Association White Cross Secretary met with a Cabinet composed of White Cross Secretaries from the several Guilds, assigned quotas, and had a spirited discussion on the ways and means of that particular division of the work. In another room, I met with the four elected officers (president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer) of the Association to do a little research and some planning. Our conclusions were that we had improved in some things, but we decided to strive for better results in the Reading Contest and in the use of MISSIONS. We shall try to organize Mission Study Classes in the Guilds that have not attempted them so far. Our financial report this year was better than last, so we shall hope for the same next year. We made a copy of a calendar of events for the Association for next year. I shall send you a copy when it is mimeographed. I believe you know we are contemplating having Junior and Senior Rallies next year, of suitable size and program for the two divisions. The suggestion came to me through a pastor's wife who works with a Junior Guild, so we have determined to prove or disprove her theory.

Guild Girls in Cuba

Two weeks ago the Santiago District Convention was held in the Second Baptist Church of Santiago. The small church auditorium was filled to overflowing at almost all the sessions. One afternoon the W. W. G. had a special part in the program, the first time

that privilege had been granted us. About seventy girls from five different societies were present and took part in singing several W. W. G. hymns. Good reports were given from the Chapters represented. Then our Cristo Chapter put on the Initiation Service, which greatly impressed the audience and gave them an idea of the purpose of the Guild.

The following was our program for Guild Vesper Sunday. Do you need a translator?

SERVICIO DE ADORACION DE LA SOCIEDAD W. W. G.

El Cristo, 4 de Diciembre, 1932

Preludio: "Largo"—Handel. Srta.

Loida Montel

Himno No. 194. "Gloria a El"

Invocacion—Dra. Sara Molina

Lectura Biblica—Margarita Botas

Solo: "Cantique de Noel"—Blanca R.

Rodriguez

Bienvenida—Gloria E. Montel

Mensaje De Las Presidentes—Sara

Molina, Juanita Palomo

Himno "Yo Quiero Ser"

Representacion: "La Srta. W. W. G.

—y la Rosa Blanca

Srta. Isabel Castellon y ocho senoritas

Discurso: "Lealtad a Cristo"—Dr.

Francisco Sabas

Recitacion Del Convenio

Himno Oficial De la Sociedad—

"Sigue la Luz"

Benediccion—Rev. Maximino Montel

—Kathleen Rounds.

A Record to Be Proud of

Florence Decker sends this wonderful report of the Fidelis Chapter, First Church, Minneapolis. Of course it is a large Chapter but even so, who can match it?

WHITE CROSS REPORT

1927-1932

Hospital Supplies

2,494 4" x 4" gauze dressings
1,167 3 yd. gauze bandages
388 roller bandages
370 gauze sponges
331 2" x 1 yd. bandages
63 1" x 1 yd. bandages
74 1/2" drains
40,355 quilt blocks
453 sewing and school bags
442 dolls
377 handkerchiefs
150 chair cushions
102 children's aprons
32 women's aprons
11,981 used Christmas cards
54 pairs used spectacles
12 Bible picture scrolls
12 victrola records
14 scrap books
110 strings post cards
74 towels

Candles, paper napkins, paper doilies, etc. \$8.00 for Japanese Testaments. 50 copies "Living Hymns."

Personal Gifts to:

Ann M. Kludt—Japan
V. R. Peterson—Burma
Emily Satterberg—Africa
Ada Nelson—China
Kay Buckbee—South America

White Cross Supplies and Gifts to:

Esther Ehnbohm—Africa
Mrs. A. Salquist—China
Nora L. Swenson—American Indians
Cecelia Johnson—Burma
Anna Krietlow—Central America
Esther Hokanson—China

Seven Months Old and Going Strong

Our Teen Age Chapter, Greenwich, N. Y., has been organized seven months, and is named the L. W. Cronkhite Chapter, in honor of our own Dr. L. W. Cronkhite who served thirty-nine years in Bassein, Burma.

Three of our members attended the House Party at Round Lake where they received a great deal of inspiration from the friendly contacts with missionaries and other Guild girls. Program meetings started in September. Very

attractive programs have been prepared by the Educational Committee, and these include the ten program and four White Cross meetings of the year. White Cross work consisted of a box of 565 blocks for a quilt, and also a New Testament which were sent in October to Miss Clara Olds, Lodge Grass, Montana.

All members of the church and congregation were invited to our Guild Vesper Sunday with the Woman's Missionary Society as special guests. For two months before Christmas the girls sold Christmas cards and Christmas wrappings with fine results. A nice Christmas basket of food and several gifts were sent to a needy family in town, and the happiness of that grateful family made our own Christmas brighter.

In various ways of service and usefulness we are trying to advance the Guild theme, Loyalty, by taking charge of flowers for the pulpit, distribution of "Streets," and assisting at the church suppers. Every girl has a Guild Loyalties Gift Box, and we hope to contribute \$18 to the church apportionment.

Of course our girls have entered the Reading Contest, and our poster is displayed on the church bulletin board.

Activities of Atchison Senior Guild

The "Ever Ready Chapter" is the name of the Senior group of the First Baptist Church of Atchison, Kansas. It is composed of thirty-two young married women and business girls. One of our girls is sponsor for one of the younger Guilds.

On December 1st we had charge of a program on *Lady Fourth Daughter of China* at the Women's Society. On Guild Vesper Sunday, December 4th, the pageant *Guild Ties* was presented in addi-

tion to the regular church service on Sunday evening. In December we had two White Cross meetings to get our box ready for Miss Pechous of Bethel Neighborhood Center. Besides sending the four dressed dolls, we sent two baby dresses and two baby slips. Later we sent a White Cross assignment to Lettie Archer, in China.

Theme Awards

It is a pleasure to announce the winners of the Guild Theme Contest for this year. *Junior*: Frances Anderson, McMinnville, Oregon; *Teen Age*: Maxine Wilson, Davenport, Iowa; *Senior*: Dorothy Woodbury, Los Angeles, California. Each of these girls will have the privilege of attending the Guild House Party or Baptist Assembly nearest her home as a guest of the Department of Missionary Education.

Snap Shots!

So many interesting reports and so little space! In fairness to all we are taking short extracts from several and calling them "snap shots."

Putnam, Conn.

I want you to know about our last meeting, especially. One of our girls invited us to her home. Her husband rigged up some radio equipment in a back room and attached it to a loud speaker in the living room where we were assembled. Soon we heard the announcement, "This is station H.H. Shanghai, China. You will now hear a musical selection called 'The March of the Priests'." This was followed by an address by "a missionary from the interior of China," on conditions there. Musical selections followed, and our girls were most enthusiastic over the program.

Our treasurer announced a balance of \$25 on hand, and we voted

it all to the mission pledge. This year our membership has been doubled by inviting some of the younger girls of the church.

Nashville, Mich.

One program, based on *MISSIONS*, had the unique result that everyone wanted to take her copy home. Each person was supplied with a copy of a recent issue. About the room were questions typed on colored paper. The reference in *MISSIONS* for the answer was to be found on a paper of the same shape and size. After finding both papers, the answer was looked up, read, and written down. Those with ten correct answers took their magazines home; those who failed donated theirs to the Rumanian Mission, where some of our girls have been helping on Sunday.

Southington, Conn.

Hats off to the Pleiades girls of the First Church, Southington. These wide-awake girls collected the letters received from missionaries by members of the church and assembled them in book form with a clip cover. On the face of the front cover they mounted the "Pray It Through" picture of Christ. The title of this interesting and attractive book is "The Modern Epistles," with the Scripture reference, John 15:5-12, at the lower right-hand corner of the cover. On the front page the girls state their purpose in the project, namely to deepen the interest in missions by all who read the book. This is one of the books in the missionary Reading Contest for the Southington Church. A copy of the book may be seen in the State Convention office.

Lowville, N. Y.

The Senior Guild has 55 active members. We held a Vesper Service in December, a special Holy Week service, and a Mother and

Daughter banquet in May. We work for the local hospital and each year make several scrap-books in addition to our regular White Cross work. We spent \$50 for Foreign Mission work and \$20 for Home Mission work. We went over the top with our church apportionment, paying \$81. We cooperate with the local Welfare League and other activities.

Some Readers!

Our Elsie Root Chapter of the First Baptist Church, Meriden,

Conn., has again qualified for the third picture in the W. W. G. Reading Contest. We have twenty girls and although they all can't be classed as active members they all read their five books, and in fact have read fifty-two extra ones already.

Another Loyalty Chapter

The W. W. G. of First Church, Fort Madison, Iowa, has sent in five new subscriptions to Missions, thus qualifying for the Loyalty List.

Children's World Crusade

"And Gladness Breaks Like Morning"

Northwestern District took as the theme of its Annual Meeting the hymn "Lead On, O King Eternal," each department basing its report on one line of the hymn. The above phrase was assigned to the C. W. C. Mrs. R. E. Ewing, our District Secretary, sent me a copy of her report and I am taking the first paragraphs of it for our message this month. Read it slowly enough to get the full beauty and inspiration of it.

"I well remember a certain day-break out in the Garo Hills of Assam. Mr. Ewing and I had just

closed a month's tour and were on the last stretch home, attempting an ordinary two days' hill journey, 21 miles, in one day. We had risen with the morning star still high and had tramped several miles of dew-wet path with our single pony before the first traces of dawn appeared. And then came that marvel of beauty—the break of morning amid country

hills. The stealthy retreat of wild animals to their covert in the jungle, the stir of the morning breeze, the chirping of awakening birds, the flit of a green parrot across our path, streaks of rosy color in the eastern sky reflected around the encircling horizon, the fog and mist of the valleys mingled with the distant smoke of early village fires. The utter beauty of the earth filled one's being with gladness and peace; a time for true worship.

"Morning breaks beautifully, gradually, inevitably and with a hope that is ever new and fresh. So in our work with children. There is always a beauty about it, a freshness and a hopefulness that I challenge one to find in any other field of endeavor. Great is the privilege of working with children, guiding those growing minds and hearts into the paths of God's will; and how we who work with children need His help!"

Mary L. Noble.

218 Lancaster Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

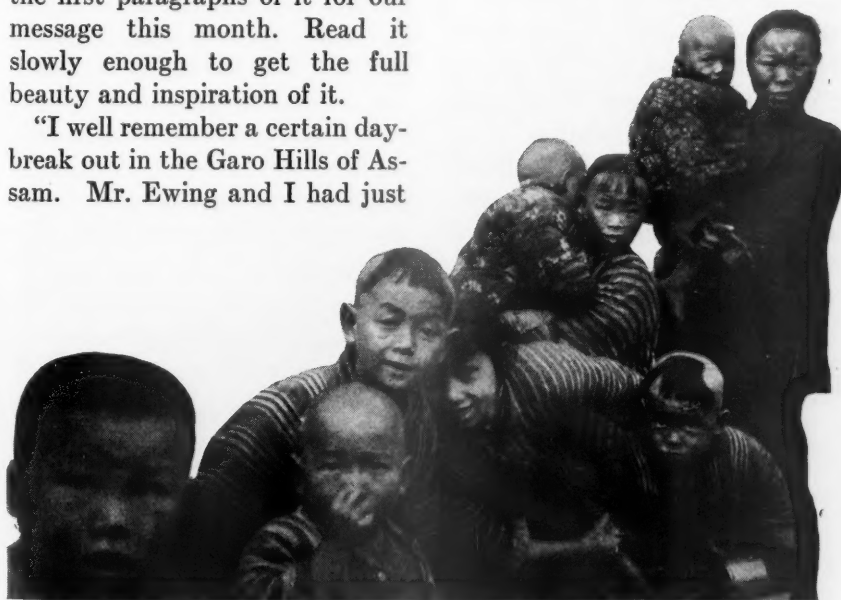
Rallies and Parties

OIL CREEK ASSOCIATION, PA.

MRS. J. A. SHELDON, SECRETARY

We met at Wesleyville on April 22nd, with an attendance of 265 from twelve churches, every one having a part on the program. Nine children and two adults came 113 miles, and 30 other children and six adults came 55 miles. The program included a variety of interests and was a decided success. Beside reports and special memory assignments, there was a dramatization, a temperance pageant, a talk on China, and a candlelight service.

Prizes for the best attendance were awarded to Titusville and Bradford. Prizes for best reports were given to Immanuel and Union City. An increase of 79



They would make good crusaders if they had a chance

members was reported, also 204 more Honor Points, but our contributions were \$13.24 less than last year. Nine churches reported Christmas boxes valued at \$13.39 (actual cost). Wesleyville sang a beautiful welcome song.

SUFFIELD, CONN.,

MRS. E. S. FARLEY, LEADER

You will be glad to hear about the delightful party our small company enjoyed recently. We had an attendance of 30 Crusaders who had completed their study of China. As a special surprise Nellie, Betty and Peggy Wong of the Central Church, Hartford, were guests. They were dressed in colorful Chinese costumes of brocaded satin and entered heartily into all the games. Mrs. Schwarz, Association Director, with five Crusaders from Rockville, was also present. The games concluded with a march to the candlelighted tables for supper, and at the annual meeting which followed reports were presented, brief talks were given by Mrs. Schwarz and myself, and then the Wong sisters entertained with Chinese songs.

NORTH PLATTE ASSOCIATION, NEB.
MRS. E. C. BARTON, SECRETARY

North Platte Association had its first C. W. C. Rally at Center Valley Baptist Church, which is located 57 miles from the railroad by highway, in the sand hills of Nebraska. Mrs. Carl Reichenberg is leader of the Band in this little country church. She reported that some of the children rode eight miles through the sand hills on horse-back to attend the C. W. C. meetings. We had a banquet, the table being decorated with wild flowers. The Crusaders helped transplant some trees growing near the Sand Hill lake to the church grounds so that the property might be more beautiful and also provide shade in the years to come.

Welcome Methodists

EXCERPT FROM A LETTER:

"I have over 30 splendid working Crusaders enrolled now and more new ones coming in every day. They are so excited over the C. W. C. work and I surely find it a pleasure to work with them. I have a contest on now. They are divided into two groups, the Whites and the Blues. You should see them working to get new members on their sides and also to obtain the most Honor Points. It is splendid to see them so interested.

Monday we are putting on a candy sale to make money for material for the mission box. Everyone is eager to do something. Some Methodist girls and boys also came and were so interested and such good workers that I let them stay with the group."

Boys' and Girls' Column

Dear Miss Noble:

Last Sunday the Homestead Hungarian C. W. C. elected me Corresponding Secretary and I took it very gladly because I was a member since my sixth year. I try to come every Sunday and be faithful. I served for one year as Secretary and I received this great honor to have the privilege to correspond with my dear Miss Noble who loves the whole world's C. W. C. Our President, Viola Donaldson, now serves us for five years as President. Her sister Gail is now Secretary. Ida Munoy and Elizabeth Lester are the Treasurers.

Our leader Mrs. Pauliniy is our financial leader and puts our money in the bank. She takes very good care of the money and pays all our bills by check. In 1933 we gave five dollars to the Cassel Schenly Orphan Home.

We bought our own coal to the house heated twice a week, Thursday and Sunday. We paid ten dollars for the coal. We did not forget the C. W. C. even if it is depression so some of the children are still bringing their pennies. Even if it is a small amount God is blessing it that we are able to help build God's Kingdom.

We wish God's blessing on all the Crusader Chapters in the whole world and on your work and remember us in your prayer. Two children from our church got baptized in the First Baptist Church. This is our happiness this year. Sincerely yours, *Eugene Albright*, Homestead, Pa.

Dear Miss Noble:

I belong to the Lakeville Baptist Crusade Company. Our Company is one year and two months old. I and four others attended the C. W. C. Rally held at Greenwich, N. Y., April 8th. We enjoyed the whole program very much. We hold our meetings on the last Saturday of each month. Four months' meetings were postponed on account of illness. We expect to start this month reading "Three Arrows."

Since the Rally we have won two new members. We expect to win the Banner in the future for a winner never quits and a quitter never wins. On April 9th at our church services we gave an offering of \$7.35 for our church budget. At the Rally we thanked Greenwich in this way:

Two, Four, Six, Eight,
Whom do we appreciate?
Greenwich! Greenwich!

We too have a yell,

Who are we? Who are we?
We're Crusaders, don't you see?
And we're young and strong and free.
We call ourselves the C. W. C.

Your friend, *Irene Stewart*, Cosayuna, N. Y.

✠ TRIBUTES TO DEPARTED LEADERS ✠

A Generous Friend Departs

Mrs. Sarah E. White, who died March 5, 1933, at the age of 84, was a loyal friend of many phases of Baptist service.

She was identified with the Baptist Home of Boston, the New England Baptist Hospital, the Andover-Newton Theological School, the Gordon Bible College, and the Royal Ambassador Boys' Camp at Ocean Park, Maine. She took a deep interest in the boys' camp, donating the purchase price of its 100 acres of land. In recognition of this notable gift, the athletic field was named in honor of her husband, "The Elisha M. White Athletic Field." Not long before her death, Mrs. White laid the foundations for the camp's annuity fund with a very generous gift. She recognized the importance of leadership for the men of tomorrow.

Her benefactions included most of the denominational boards. Her annuity gifts exceeded \$100,000. Some years ago she established with the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society a trust fund of \$35,000 now known as the Sarah E. White Memorial Fund. This is but one of many such major gifts that reflected her generous interest.

On March 26 a special memorial service was conducted at Framingham Center, Mass., by her pastor, Rev. A. E. Wheeler. True especially of Sarah E. White are the words, "Being dead she yet speaketh."—*Floyd L. Carr.*

Della Lowden Davis

Della Lowden Davis, wife of Rev. W. S. Davis, died at her home in Athens, Pa., on April 16, 1933. Mr. and Mrs. Davis had been missionaries of the Foreign Mission

Society for 41 years, in Allur, South India. They returned to America in November 1928 and retired from active service in September 1929.

Mrs. Davis was born February 16, 1868 and with her husband received missionary appointment in February 1892. Upon arrival in South India they were asked to take charge of the Allur field, the new mission district formed by the division of the large Nellore field.

One of the happiest moments of their lives was the early dedication of their eldest son to the Master's service and his determination to return to India. This son, Rev. E. Bixler Davis, is now carrying on the work laid down by his father in Allur.

Frank T. Moulton

News comes of the death on March 28 at his home in Buffalo, N. Y., of Mr. Frank T. Moulton. He served for 17 years as treasurer of the American Baptist Home Mission Society during the administration of Dr. Henry L. Morehouse. In 1929 failing health led to Mr. Moulton's retirement and removal to Buffalo. He was an able financial executive and a man of lovable Christian character.

An Honor to His Race

The death of Rev. H. M. Harjo, one of the most prominent Creek Indian leaders, recalls the fact that this public-spirited Indian American purchased the land on which the Murrow Indian Orphans' Home is located. He had been left an orphan early in life. His interest in orphan children and in Bacone College was evidenced in a variety of ways. He was educated in Bacone College during the administration of President A. C. Bacone. He became an edu-

cator of Indian youth and a pastor of Creek Indian churches. Before his ordination as a minister of the gospel in 1907 he had served many years as interpreter for the missionaries.

An Arizona Pioneer

Rev. R. P. Pope, who died in Phoenix, Ariz., May 11th, was one of the early itinerant preachers in New Mexico and Arizona in their territorial days. Born in Texas in 1856, where later he was ordained, he moved to New Mexico and for 21 years served as a pioneer worker. He then moved to Arizona where he spent 21 years more in Arizona and Southern California. In all of these years he served under the Home Mission Society and the Publication Society. He was active until the last few days of his illness. During these 42 years he organized 42 Baptist churches, and 45 Sunday schools. He was "a man sent from God" to evangelize and shepherd the peoples of those sparsely settled regions. Perfectly at home in the mining camps in the canyons, and among the first settlers of the "sage-brush districts," he was everywhere welcomed, loved and honored by all.

In 1876 he was married to Miss Josephine Garret, who bravely walked and worked by his side as he toured the plains or plodded through the canyons. The fragrance of his life will abide for generations in these sections where cities have now sprung up and large communities make their homes.—*A. M. Petty.*

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Committee of Conference For the New Year

The Committee of Conference organized in Washington with Mrs. A. L. Dunlop, Chairman, and Miss Janet S. McKay, Clerk. Please clear all letters relating to the promotional work through the Clerk. Letters relating to the work of the Woman's Home Board should go as heretofore to Mrs. K. S. Westfall; those relating to the work of the Woman's Foreign Board to Miss Janet S. McKay.

The general promotional plans will channel through the Board of Missionary Cooperation. All material will go direct from their office to the Administrative Vice-Presidents of the Districts who in turn will pass it on to the Secretary-Directors of the States.

In addition to the general promotional plans, the two Woman's Boards will send to the Administrative Vice-Presidents about every six weeks a letter giving supplemental data regarding the missionary work as it relates to our whole program.

Silver Boxes

Some of the states were a little slow in adopting the plan for the use of the silver boxes last year. We are asking that all of them encourage their use this year. Last year one of the best plans was placing the silver box on the dining room table so that a penny could be put into the box at each meal.

The following additional suggestions are made:

1. That we ask each woman to give a cent a day, or \$3.65 a year.
2. That we measure the boxes by the yard. There are 12 boxes in a yard. If each box contained \$3.65, a yard would be valued at \$43.00.
3. That we suggest the slogan "A prayer a day and a gift a day."

It is hoped that each state will initiate its own plans and write the Committee of Conference about them. Much was accomplished last year in spite of the serious financial burdens. If we take the silver boxes up enthusiastically we can accomplish great things.

A dramatization will be prepared for use when the boxes are opened. Some states are planning to open the boxes every month; others at Thanksgiving and Easter. Let us know what plans you make in your state.

New Committees

Members of the National Student Committee for the present year are: Miss Olive Russell and Mrs. O. O. Wright, W.A.B.H.M.S.; Mrs. Leslie E. Swain and Mrs. Stephen Leshner, W.A.B.F.M.S., and Dr. G. R. Baker and Dr. W. A. Hill, Board of Education. The committee will meet in September to evolve plans for the extension of the College Counselor work.

Members of the National Civic Committee are: Mrs. Orrin R. Judd, Mrs. W. H. Mount and Mrs. F. C. Pinkham, W.A.B.H.M.S.; Mrs. W. E. Geil and Mrs. R. L. Hutchinson, W.A.B.F.M.S., and Miss Janet S. McKay, Committee of Conference.

This Committee will meet in September. In the meantime there should be no slacking in the civic work by our women.

Questionnaires

Questionnaires have been sent to the Districts and States. Just as soon as the replies have been received a thorough study will be made of the organization of the woman's work. The Committee of Conference is counting on the cooperation of every woman to carry on in these days of strain.

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A Blue Ribbon Program

In our annual contest, the first prize for programs was awarded to "Co-Workers" of Fourth Church, Minneapolis, for A MEETING ON TIME. This was the first of the series, THE CRUISE OF THE GOOD SHIP "CO-WORKERS," and was preceded by a Bon Voyage dinner, listed on the program as "Dinner Time." The other topics are as follows:

Keeping Time—Group Singing.

Right Now—Business.

Watchwords—Devotional.

About a Minute—A reminder of the many lovely things in life that require only a minute to do and yet mean so much to those for whom they are done.

Grandfather's Clock—Song.

Telling Time—A brief talk on how time has been told through the ages.

In a Clock Store—Phonograph Record.

Pastime—Charades of proverbs on Time—by daughters of class members.

Once Upon a Time—Story.

Spare Time—Impromptu three-minute talks on "What I would do with twenty-four hours of absolutely spare time over and above what other people had."

For Such a Time as This—Inspirational address based on the story of Queen Esther, and emphasizing the missionary appeal and the responsibility of the individual woman today.

Each guest was given an attractive mimeographed program appropriately decorated with outline drawings of an hour glass and a clock tower.

Other Contest Awards

As in past years, the display of year books and programs at the Northern Baptist Convention proved a center of interest to pro-

gram builders. Mrs. Augusta Walden Comstock, the author of the new programs on THE CHRISTIAN MISSION IN AMERICA, and Miss Olive Russell, Literature and Publicity Secretary of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society, served as judges. The awards for year books were:

First Prize—First Baptist Church, Santa Ana, Calif.

Second Prize—Grace Baptist Church, Camden, New Jersey.

Honorable Mention—National Baptist Memorial Church, Washington.

JUNE BRIDES (see the Open Forum for June) won for Grace Church the second prize for programs. A book program entered by First Church, White Hall, Ill., was awarded Honorable Mention.

From time to time, during the coming months, these fine year books and programs will be shared with Open Forum readers.

Columbus Day and MISSIONS

The June issue of *Program Pointers* contains a program on MISSIONS Magazine, which is appropriate for any month having a national holiday. If you would like a copy send a stamped self-addressed envelope.

Changes in Action for 1934

Our Northern Baptist handbook, *Action*, has been carefully studied with a view to making improvements in the 1934 edition, now in preparation. The characteristic features of the *Book of Remembrance* will be retained, including the birthday list.

Some of the changes decided on are: a scripture reference for each

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day; a typographical rearrangement designed to make reading more easy for those who wish to use the book either for continuous reading or for reference purposes; introduction of more human interest elements into the descriptive paragraphs, rather than factual statements exclusively.

Effective September first the price of the current (1933) edition of *Action* will be reduced to ten cents per copy. This is to introduce the book to new readers and to advertise the 1934 edition. At this low price the offer should interest all who are to conduct or participate in mission study classes during the autumn, for they will find *Action* very useful.

THE CALENDAR

*Coming events of interest to
Northern Baptists*

SEPTEMBER

18—Home Mission Board meeting
in New York

- 20—Meeting of Commission on Reorganization in New York
21—Meeting of Administrative Committee in New York
25-26—Foreign Mission Board meeting in New York
25-27—Woman's Foreign Mission Board meeting in New York
26-28—Idaho Baptist State Convention in Caldwell
28-29—Stanley Jones Conference in Worcester, Mass.
29-30—Nevada Baptist State Convention in Loyalton, Cal.

OCTOBER

- 1-31—Stanley Jones Conferences.
See schedule on page 416
5—Woman's Home Mission Board meeting in New York
3-29—Baptist State Conventions as follows:

- 3- 4—New Hampshire at Antrim
3- 5—Colorado at Colorado Springs
3- 5—N. California at Oakland
3- 6—South Dakota at Mitchell
9-11—Minnesota at St. Paul
9-12—Michigan at Kalamazoo
10-12—Kansas at Atchison

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10-12—West Virginia at Wheeling
 10-15—Iowa at Waterloo
 11-14—Indiana at Indianapolis
 11-15—Nebraska at Hastings
 12-14—Connecticut at Norwich

18-20—Pennsylvania at Pittsburgh
 20-26—New York at Saratoga Springs
 23-25—New Jersey at Atlantic City
 24-26—Massachusetts at Taunton
 26-29—Illinois at Chicago

Foreign Mission Society Announcements

Changes in Personnel

At the meeting of the Foreign Board June 27, 1933, Rev. Paul E. Alden presented his resignation as Associate Secretary to become pastor of the First Baptist Church of Franklin, Ind. The Board adopted the following vote:

Resolved, That in view of the resignation of Paul E. Alden from the service of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society to take effect August 31, 1933 and also of his acceptance of the call to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Franklin, Ind., the Foreign Mission Board hereby expresses its sincere regret over his retirement from the secretarial staff to which he came on April 25, 1923.

We would place in our records our sincere gratitude for the great and varied service he has rendered, the wide influence for foreign missions he has had as Candidate Secretary among the young people of our schools, colleges and seminaries, especially among those whom we have appointed and sent to the foreign mission fields, and moreover in the wider fields of the Northern Baptist Convention during these more than ten years, in inspiring thousands of our church members to a keener interest and deeper devotion to our great missionary enterprise.

We record our love for him as a man and our confidence in him as a devoted ambassador of Christ. As he goes to Franklin to assume the work there, we pray for him the largest success in his labors as pastor and as a spiritual leader in Franklin College. May God's choicest blessing rest upon him and his family in their new work.

To fill the vacancy in the staff the Board at the same meeting elected Dana M. Albaugh as Associate Secretary. He was formerly a missionary of the Society in Belgian Congo and is unable to return

to the field on account of ill health in his family. Since returning from the Congo Mr. Albaugh has been identified with the state promotional work in Michigan. He has also served effectively with the Field Activities Department of the Board of Missionary Cooperation. His intimate knowledge not only of the work on the Congo field, but also of the developments in other missions enables Mr. Albaugh to render valuable service in developing the interest in missions among the churches.

The Evangelical Policy

The American Baptist Foreign Mission Society has suffered so seriously for a number of years from a misapprehension of its policy enunciated at the Mil-

waukee Convention in 1924 that it is deemed wise to call attention once more to the Board's own explanation of the terms used.

There has been widespread assumption that the expression, "the inclusive policy," meant that folks of every shade of theological belief, however divergent from the historic New Testament Baptist faith, would be appointed as missionaries. Some people seem not to have noted the words used to qualify the expression and to define "the inclusive policy *within the limits of the gospel*." The significant paragraph of the Board's statement at Milwaukee, reads as follows:

Guided by the fact that Baptists have always been known as evangelicals, and that the gospel is the most important message of the Scriptures, we have demanded that all our officers and missionaries be loyal to the gospel. We will appoint only suitable evangelical men and women; we will appoint evangelicals, and we will not appoint non-evangelicals. And by the gospel we mean the good news

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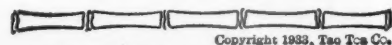


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